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Rudolf Hess Found Sane After Amazing Flight

Deputy Fuhrer Lands Near Glasgow After Probable Rift With Other Nazi Leaders; No Peace Proposals

London, May 13.

HERR Rudolf Hess, Deputy Führer and Hitler's closest friend, whose lone flight from Germany to Scotland has provided the most astounding story of the war, has been seen by doctors, who have found him sane and healthy, it was stated in authoritative circles in London today. His flight, it was added, was an escape. He did not bring with him any peace overture or any message. He came to Britain in defiance of Nazi authority.

Herr Hess is being treated as a prisoner. He has been removed to a place which will be kept secret, and no one will be allowed to see him. Authoritative circles add that if he had gone to a neutral country, he would have been in immediate peril of being assassinated by some Nazis.

After their first story that Herr Hess had either committed suicide or fallen from a plane, the Nazi authorities today admitted the Deputy Führer's flight to the German people.

In a broadcast the German radio declared that Herr Hess was injured after baling out from a plane at Glasgow.

The announcer added that papers he left behind tended to show that he thought he could achieve an understanding with England through English acquaintances. He then reported that Hess was suffering from a derangement.

First Breach

Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, Minister of Information, said today that the arrival of Herr Hess in this country showed the first breach in the Nazi party since Hitler murdered a huge bloc of his own followers during the purge in June 1934.

Mr. Cooper added:—"Here is a man who, with all the advantages that he must have been enjoying in Germany, yet preferred to leave that unhappy and miserable country and fly, at tremendous risk to himself, in order to land on what is still a country of the free."

"That," asserted Mr. Cooper, "is good news, and it comes at a good time."

Herr Hess's flight is presumed in London to have been the result of disagreement with other prominent Nazis, and possibly natural and unbearable revulsion towards other members of the party.

The opinion in some circles is that Hess's flight shows that the core of Germany is rotten.

It is not known why he gave a false name when he first landed, although possibly there was some mistake. Hess was in uniform.

It is thought that Hess plotted his course to Scotland, because he believed it was the safest in view of possible air operations over England.

Not on Mission

It can be stated definitely that Hess is not on a mission and does not carry a message from anyone to anyone. The possibility that the episode is a Nazi trick is considered extremely remote in view of the attitude adopted by the German radio towards Hess.

[Reuter.

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Herr Hess

Hess "Captured" By Farm Hand

German Leader was Most Polite, and Confident of Good Treatment

Glasgow, May 13.

Mr. David McLean, a farm worker and the first man to reach Herr Rudolf Hess, German Deputy Fuhrer, who landed here purposely on Saturday night, today told the United Press how he had "captured" the high Nazi leader.

He rushed from his cottage when he heard a crash and saw Herr Hess rolling on his back and extricating himself from parachute gear. Herr Hess, he said, appeared unhurt except for a limp.

The German, he added, carried lots of photographs and papers describing his identity. Police later arrived at Mr. McLean's farm-house and took the papers from Herr Hess and then communicated with the Foreign Office while the German was sent to hospital.

The hospital found him to be suffering from a broken ankle, heart trouble and gall bladder trouble. He brought his own medicine from Germany for those ailments.

Mr. McLean told the United Press, "I was out of the house. Everyone else was in bed when I heard a plane roaring overhead. Then as I ran to the farm there was a crash and I saw a plane burst into flames. I was a bit frightened when I saw a parachute dropping slowly to the ground through the gathering darkness.

"Peering upwards I could see a man swinging in harness and I immediately concluded he was a German airman baling out. So I returned to the house for help. They all were asleep, however. I looked around hastily for some weapon but could not find anything except a hayfork. Fearing that I might lose the airman, I hurried round by myself into the field where I saw a man lying on the ground with a parachute nearby.

"He Smiled"

"He smiled and, as I assisted him to his feet, he thanked me," Mr. McLean continued. I could see that he had injured his foot in some way. I helped him into the house. By this time my mother and sister had got out of bed and made tea. The stranger, however, declined the tea, and smiled when we told him we were very fond of it in this country.

"He said, 'I never drink tea as late as this. I only have a glass of water.'"

"Word was sent to the military authorities and in the meantime the visitor chatted freely with us and showed pictures of his little boy of whom he spoke very proudly. He told us he had left Germany about four hours previously and had landed because night was approaching.

Confident of Good Treatment

"He seemed 'confident that he would be well treated' and repeatedly expressed how lucky he had been in landing without mishap. He was most gentlemanly in his attitude to my old mother and sister and stiffly bowed to them when he came in and before he left.

"He thanked us profusely for what we had done for him and was anxious about only one thing—his parachute.

"He said to me 'I should like to keep that parachute for I think I owe my life to it.'

"He would not tell us who he was, but we did not like to ask questions as we assumed that he was just another German airman who had been brought down.—United Press.

Rudolf Hess Was Hitler's Confidant

Became No. 3 Nazi on Outbreak of War

London, May 13.

Herr Hess was born on April 26, 1896, in Alexandria, of German parents. His father, Fritz Hess, was a business man whose family came from Upper Franconia in Bavaria, and his mother's family came from Thuringia.

He was educated first at the German school in Alexandria, later from 1908 to 1911, at a school in Godesberg (Rhineland). The outbreak of war in 1914 prevented him from going to an English university.

Herr Hess has a turn for mathematics, natural science and engineering, but, with a view to taking over his father's import business in Egypt, he went to a commercial school in Switzerland and afterwards worked as a commercial apprentice in Hamburg for two years until 1914.

He served all through the Great War and was twice wounded. In 1917, he was promoted a lieutenant and joined the aviation corps.

After the war, he joined the nationalistic-radical "Thule Society" in Munich and by sheer luck escaped being shot, together with other hostages, during the Communist rule in that city. He was again wounded on May 1, 1919, when Munich was liberated from the "Reds." After this, he joined the "Freecorps Epp," one of the many semi-military organizations of a nationalistic character.

Still in Munich in 1920, Herr Hess, in June, joined the National-Socialist Party. It was not long before he met Adolf Hitler. He joined the S.A. (Storm Troops), and later became head of a Nazi students' platoon and then of the Nazi students' battalion.

He took a prominent part in Hitler's unsuccessful *coup d'etat* on November 8 and 9, 1923, and was sentenced, in 1924, to one and a half years of "honorary" confinement.

With Hitler

He spent seven and a half months of this sentence with Hitler in the "honorary prison" (Festung) in Landsberg-am-Lech (Bavaria), after which he was dismissed.

In 1925, he became private secretary to Hitler and accompanied him on most of his journeys through Germany in the years that followed, attending, with him, the innumerable mass meetings which played so large a part in Hitler's campaigns. He soon became Hitler's confidant and wrote many of the party's leaflets and designed several of its posters.

Now his advance was rapid. In December 1932, Herr Hess was appointed chairman of the Central Political Committee of the Nazi Party. When Hitler came to power, Herr Hess was the head of the Verbindungsstab (liaison staff) and brought to Hitler every bit of confidential information which Hitler required from a state about to be overrun.

In April, 1933, Chancellor Hitler made Herr Hess his party deputy and in December, 1933, took him in this capacity into the Cabinet as Reichsminister.

After the "clean-up" of the Nazi party in July, 1934, Hitler "in order to ensure the greater unity of Party and State," issued a decree empowering Herr Hess to take part himself or by proxy in the drafting of all Reich laws.

On the eve of the German invasion of Poland, on August 30, 1939, Herr Hess was made a member of the Ministerial Council for Reich Defence.

Close Resemblance

The close resemblance of his voice to Hitler's and his fine presence made him an excellent substitute for the Führer at Party demonstrations and social functions which Hitler did not wish to attend. Herr Hess was a 100 per cent. Partyman and never wore any other uniform but the brown shirt of the Storm-Troopers or the black coat of the S.S., Hitler's Black Guard.

At a luncheon in the famous castle of Nuremberg, he was warmly complimented by a journalist on the wonderful achievements of the Four Years' Plan, Germany's ambitious self-sufficiency scheme. Herr Hess would not have it that the plan was wonderful.

"It costs far too much money," he declared. "The products are not nearly so good as the natural articles, not as good as they have been made out, and the whole Plan imposes a very heavy burdon on the German people. If we had enough foreign exchange to import the natural products we should abandon the Four Years' Plan tomorrow."

Seeing how closely Herr Hess was identified as the Führer's mouthpiece, some of his speeches are worth recalling in contrast with the somersault in German foreign policy before the war of 1939.

Thus at Bochum in December, 1934, Herr Hess declared: "I don't believe there is any danger of war or that any responsible politician is agitating for war." And he went on to emphasize his belief in the possibility of an understanding with France.

At Danzig in April, 1935, Herr Hess uttered numerous bitter gibes at Soviet Russia. "The Soviet leaders have often declared that their only aim in signing treaties with capitalist Powers is to promote world revolution." And later he declared:

"The Germany of today sets its honour above everything. If it signs a treaty, the world can be sure it will observe it absolutely."—Reuter.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Aftermath of Bubbling Well Shooting Affray

The bullet-riddled car of Mr. Wu Sze-pao, official of the Wang Ching-wei police at 76 Jessfield Road, is shown in the above picture after it had been brought to the Bubbling Well police station following a shooting affray in which no less than 50 shots were exchanged and five persons were injured. The U.S. Marines were immediately called out and are seen in the photo examining the vehicle.

Foreign Police Officer Shot In Affray With Nanking Men

Sgt. Wickdahl, Four Others Sustain Injuries; Mrs. Wu Escapes Unscatched, Marines Attend

BULLETS flew thick and fast at the corner of Bubbling Well Road and Avenue Haig at about 1.50 p.m. yesterday when members of the Shanghai Municipal Police, on duty at the barriers, and employees of Mr. Wu Sze-pao, an official of the Wang Ching-wei police at 76 Jessfield Road, exchanged about 50 shots, resulting in the wounding of Probationary Sergeant A. Wickdahl, a C.P.C., the chauffeur and bodyguard of Mr. Wu, and a hapless pedestrian, who happened to be on the scene at the time of the affray.

Sgt. Wickdahl was only slightly wounded, the bullets grazing his neck and forehead. He was taken to the Country Hospital and had enough strength to walk to the ambulance without outside help. The C.P.C. received two wounds, in the shoulder and back, and was taken to the Police Hospital. To the same hospital went the two Nanking men, one of them wounded in the abdomen and thigh, while the other was hit in the chest and back. The pedestrian sustained a slight wound to his scalp. He was taken to St. Luke's No. 2 Hospital.

Nanking Police Disarmed

As soon as the affray had become known, a squad from the Reserve Unit and U.S. Marines arrived on the scene to reinforce the police. A few minutes later nine members of the Nanking police, from 76 Jessfield Road, also arrived at the spot. They were, however, disarmed and taken to the Bubbling Well police station for questioning, but, they were released later.

The barriers, leading to the extra-territorial roads, were immediately reinforced by the police and the Marines, while a detachment of the latter were detailed to guard the compound of the station. This detachment was under the command of Lieut. W. F. Harris, Col. DeWitt Peck, Commander of the Fourth U.S. Marine Corps, Lieut.-Col. D. Curtis, and Lieut.-Col. N. F. C. Collier, were also present.

The shooting affray occurred next to the Bubbling Well, where barriers had been erected some time ago as a measure of combatting crime in the International Settlement. Sgt. Wickdahl, a member of the Russian Auxiliary Detachment, and several C.P.C's were on duty at the barrier at the time when a 1940 Buick, bearing licence No. 460, attempted to go

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S.M.P. Chinese Supt. Shot

Rain of Bullets Kills Bookseller, Wounds Three Others

Mr. Yue Ah-kung, superintendent of Chinese detectives attached to Louza police station, is lying in the Lester Chinese Hospital hovering between life and death with a bullet wound in his head as a result of an attempt made on his life last night while he was travelling home in a private rickshaw in Yunnan Road, near Hankow Road. The gunmen, believed to be three in number, fired many shots, fatally injuring a bookseller and wounding two rickshaw pullers and a junior colleague of Mr. Yue. They escaped after hitting Mr. Yue.

The intended victim of the assassins was going home at about 5.30 p.m. when suddenly shots were fired at him by gunmen who were waiting for him in the street. They attacked so fiercely and so suddenly that Mr. Yue and a junior colleague, who was riding in a rickshaw following him as a bodyguard, were caught unawares. The pullers of both Mr. Yue's and his colleague's rickshaws were wounded in the legs but their wounds are not serious. The colleague was also slightly wounded but his condition is not serious.

Wang Ke-mun, a bookseller, who kept a book-stand near the scene of shooting was shot three times, once through the head, and he died soon afterwards. The motive behind the crime could not be ascertained but it was believed by Chinese circles that it might have a political background.

Bodyguard Dies in Police Hospital

One of the two bodyguards of the new regime official involved in the Bubbling Well shooting yesterday afternoon died in the Police Hospital last night. He was Lo Ting, born in Wusih 25 years ago.

Anglo-U.S. Production Reaching Full Strength

Washington, May 13.

The British Treasury's economic expert, Mr. John Maynard Keynes, yesterday told American newspapermen at a press conference that the combined production facilities of the United States and Britain were "incomparably stronger" than those of the Axis.—United Press.

San Francisco Strike Continues

San Francisco, May 13.

A majority of 15,000 union members yesterday refused to pass picket lines in shipyards where 1,700 machinists have gone on strike here, forcing virtual suspension of most plants and involving US$500,000,000 in defence contracts.—United Press.

R.A.F. Hammers Germany Again

Berlin, Mannheim Heavily Attacked by British Aircraft; Fires Started

London, May 13.

Bombers of the Royal Air Force last night attacked objectives at Berlin, Mannheim, the important industrial and communications centre in souht-west Germany, and other targets in that area.

British bombers resumed their attack on the Rhineland last night, says the Air Ministry communique issued today. The main weight of the attack was against the industrial centre of Mannheim. Many large fires were started and considerable damage was done.

At Cologne and Coblenz, objectives were also bombed. Other British aircraft attacked the docks at Ostend. From all these operations, no British aircraft are missing.

Coastal Command aircraft attacked the docks at Saint Nazaire. One plane is missing, concludes the communique.

Hamburg Raided

London, May 13.

Before Hamburg could recover from the impact of Saturday's attacks, yet another strong force of bombers was despatched on Sunday to continue the destruction and disorganisation of this great seaport.

A vast expanse of docks and shipbuilding yards nine miles long lining the banks of the Elbe was threaded and crossed with fire, says the Air Ministry. The Blohm and Voss yards, where famous capital ships were built in the last war, were further damaged by high-explosive and incendiary bombs. Opposite these yards the flames were leaping high. Industrial quarters of the city also were vigorously attacked.

The weather at Bremen, the other main target, was equally fine. A pilot said: "It was the kind of a night when only the bomb aimer could be blamed if we missed the target."

The attack on Bremen was as heavy as that on Hamburg and, says the Air Ministry, "equally successful."—Reuter.

Menzies Received By Roosevelt

Pacific Situation Said Reviewed;

Washington, May 13.

President Roosevelt yesterday received Mr. Robert G. Menzies, Australian Prime Minister. The two men conferred for one hour on various aspects of the aid to Democracies programme.

Mr. Menzies presented the President with a letter from Mr. Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister.

Mr. Menzies and President Roosevelt, were said to have reviewed the Pacific situation, emphasizing Japan's role in the present crisis.—United Press.

Australian Determination

Washington, May 13.

Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, who was given a luncheon by the National Press Club yesterday was asked what was the Australian attitude towards the maintenance of status quo in the Pacific.

He replied that Australia regarded Singapore as highly important, in fact the key to the defence of the Pacific for freedom loving peoples. Australian policy would be dictated by what attitude any other power adopted towards Singapore and Australia.—Reuter.

Position at Tobruk Greatly Improved

Axis Forces Experiencing Difficulty in Maintaining Supply Routes Around Fort Due to Severe Sand Storms

Sydney, Mar. 13.

A SUBSTANTIAL improvement in conditions in Libya, particularly round Tobruk, in the last few days, is reported in despatches from General Sir Thomas Blamey to Mr. Spender, the Australian War Minister.

Mr. Spender said today that General Blamey had informed him that two factors were contributing to the improvement; firstly the greater freedom which the navy enjoys in assisting land operation since the withdrawal from Greece and secondly the enemies' increasing difficulties in maintaining supplies owing to severe sand storms.—Reuter.

London, May 13.

Fewer than 20 miles separate the two forces—Indians and South Africans—operating round Amba Alagi, in Abyssinia.

It is learned in London that the southern force has reached Maiceu, and that progress continues. British troops in southern Abyssinia, too, have continued to advance in the Wadala neighbourhood, where the last enemy position has now been occupied. Contact has been made with the enemy north of Sciasciamand.

Bombarded by Royal Navy

During Saturday night, powerful units of British light forces carried out an intensive bombardment of Benghazi from point-blank range, states an Admiralty communique.

Damage was caused to shipping and military objectives. The fire from shore batteries was ineffective, as were also the repeated attacks of enemy dive-bombers. No casualties or damage was sustained by any of the British ships.—Reuter.

German General Killed

Rome, May 13.

The German Major-General von Prittwitz was killed during recent fighting in north Africa. This is revealed in an announcement by the official Italian agency notifying a posthumous award of the Gold Medal for valour to von Prittwitz. The award was handed by the Italian Commander-in-Chief to General Rommel, Chief of the German panzer corps.—Reuter.

Heavy Raid

Cairo, May 13.

A heavy raid on Benghazi, where ships were attacked and three large fires started on the mole, was made on Sunday, states a Middle East R.A.F. communique. At Benina, three German and one other planes were set on fire while at Berka direct hits were scored on buildings north-west of the landing ground. El Gazala also was raided.

At Derna, a landing ground on which a number of enemy aircraft were dispersed was attacked and motor transport in the vicinity was bombed and machine-gunned. Considerable damage was caused to mechanized units in various other places between Tobruk and Derna. One German plane was attacked and destroyed. One British plane is missing from all these operations.

In Abyssinia, the South African Air Force continued to harass the Italians at Gimma, Sciasciamanna, Uadera and Alage.

Despite bad weather British forces in the southern sector of Abyssinia are following up their successes while strong pressure is being maintained by columns operating south of Addis Ababa, says an announcement from Nairobi. The enemy's *moral* according to reports, is being shaken by ground strafing by the South African Air Force and attacks of various Patriot armies directed against the Italian flank and rear.

Initiative Maintained

Despite intense heat, the Imperial forces in the Western Desert are maintaining the initiative and are continually attacking, with very satisfactory results, according to military circles in Cairo.

It was rumoured that the Germans had solved the heat problem by the use of air-conditioned tanks, but this is thought to be very unlikely.

The actions around Tobruk and Sollum, though sharp, are quite localized.

The position around Amba Alagi, in Abyssinia, is felt to be very satisfactory. The district is precipitous and reminiscent of Keren. Hence the advance is bound to be slow, but the enemy position is being more and more restricted by the double advance from north and south.—Reuter.

Alien Registration Bill Passed At Manila

Manila, May 13.

The National Assembly late last night passed on the final reading, the Alien Registration bill and sent it to President Manuel Quezon for signature, which was believed certain.—United Press.

Position in Iraq Now Stabilized

British Planes Engaged In Punitive Expeditions Against Rebels

Cairo, May 13.

The situation in Iraq has become stabilized, says a Middle East R.A.F. communique. British aircraft have been engaged in punitive operations against rebels in most of the districts where they were observed.

The Berlin and Paris radio stations, which during the past week devoted their six daily transmissions in Arabic almost entirely to the Iraqi rebellion, on Sunday night abruptly ceased references to the Iraqi usurper, Rashid Ali, and confined themselves merely to reading the rebel communique.

Well-informed persons here express the opinion that Herr Hitler cannot tolerate an unsuccessful Quisling.

The Moscow radio on Sunday night sharply criticized the attitude of rebel partisans of Raschid Ali, according to Ankara reports. In a broadcast for Rumania the announcer is stated to have described them as "instruments of foreign Powers."

It is understood that no reply has yet been received from Raschid Ali to Egypt's offer to mediate in the dispute with Britain.—Reuter.

Fifth-Column Active

Bombay, May 13.

A vivid account of the widespread fifth-column activities of the Nazi agents in Iraq which led to the outbreak of hostilities between the British and the Raschid Ali clique was given by two Mexican artistes who have been in Iraq six months.

They said they could detect no anti-British feeling among the people when they went up country. The majority of the people of Iraq looked at the coup d'etat of Raschid Ali with a good deal of suspicion and uneasiness.

They could never expect the new regime would actually involve them in a war with the British.

Baghdad was a hotbed of espionage and enemy propaganda, according to the artistes.—Reuter.

Reports Denied

Washington, May 13.

State Department officials yesterday denied Budapest reports that the United States had given assurances of aid to Iraq if the latter would collaborate with Great Britain.

Officials also denied a Budapest report that President Roosevelt had promised cancellation of the Balfour declaration creating a Jewish homeland in Palestine.—United Press.

German Report

Berlin, May 13.

The Grand Mufti of Jerusalem has issued a proclamation demanding that all Mohammedans fight a 'Holy War' against England, said a despatch from Beirut yesterday of the German official news agency D.N.B.

The Grand Mufti asserted that 220,000 Mohammedans were oppressed by England's imperialistic tyranny, the despatch said.—United Press.

Refugees Reach Bombay

Bombay, May 13.

The majority of British women and children evacuated from Iraq have now reached Bombay, according to a Bombay government communique.

So far 80 women and 70 children have arrived, the majority of the children were very young.—Reuter.

Halifax Appeals for More American Aid

Kansas City, May 13.

Once the Battle of the Atlantic has been won, the steadily increasing strength in the air which the United States is providing "will turn the tide" said Lord Halifax addressing the Mid-Central War Resources board.—Reuter.

Washington Observers Believe Flight Of Hess Shows Cleavage Among Nazis

Differences With Other German Leaders Said Cause of Action; Hitler Takes Over Bureau

Washington, May 13.

Diplomatic circles last night believed that the flight from Berlin to Britain of Herr Rudolf Hess, Deputy Führer, may mean a cleavage within the Nazi Party and they scanned all developments closely for indications of internal strife in Germany.

The State Department declined to comment on the sudden turn of events, but other quarters pointed out that if Herr Hess fled from official wrath Britain was the only place in Europe where he could obtain sanctuary since nowhere else could he be beyond reach of Chancellor Adolf Hitler's powers.

The fact that his adjutants were arrested was taken to mean that he had connivance—that his differences with the Führer, if any, apply to others high in Nazi councils.

In support of the belief that Herr Hess had fled, diplomats pointed out that he flew a Messerschmitt which was incapable of a return flight to Germany without refuelling. They also observed that he chose a Messerschmitt rather than his own private plane.

They also noted that Berlin made the first announcement of his disappearance long after he had landed in Scotland. The London announcement—that he had landed Saturday—followed. One official observer said that Berlin apparently had wanted to ascertain his whereabouts—and did.—United Press.

Hitler Takes Over Bureau

Berlin, May 13.

Chancellor Adolf Hitler yesterday took over the official bureau formerly headed by Herr Rudolf Hess, an official communique stated today.

The official communique stated:—

"The former official bureau of the Führer's Deputy will be in future known as 'the Chancellory of the Party.'

"The Chancellory was taken over by me personally.

"The Chief of the Staff of this bureau will be, as heretofore Reichsleiter Martin Bormann. May 12, 1941. (signed) Adolf Hitler."—United Press.

Japanese Start Biggest Drive Since Attack on Hankow

Simultaneous Offensives Launched in Southern Shansi, Northern Honan, Hupeh, Kwangtung

Chungking, May 13.

WHAT appears to be the biggest Japanese drive in China since the battle of Hankow is now in full swing, with large Japanese forces launching simultaneous offensives in southern Shansi, northern Honan, northern Hupeh and in Kwangtung, according to the latest Chinese field despatches reaching Chungking today.

Particular attention is being attached here to fighting in southern Shansi and northern Hupeh, where there are indications that the Japanese may attempt a joint drive towards Sian and Hanchung, strategic points in Shensi, which control highway communications to Szechuen from the north-east.

According to Chinese military authorities, the Japanese are using newly transferred divisions from Manchuria for their push in southern Shansi. So far the numbers of three fresh divisions have been discovered. It is also reported that the Japanese have concentrated seven divisions on the Hupeh front. Fighting in Kwangtung is taking place in the vicinity of Polo, on the East River.

Chinese circles are attaching much significance to recent statements by the Japanese Premier, Prince Konoye, and the War Minister, Lt.-General Hideki Tojo, that Japan would make every effort to settle the China incident.—Reuter.

Chinese Encircled

North China, May 13.

With combined Japanese land and air forces striking against 200,000 troops under General Wei Li-huang in north Honan, the Japanese tonight were reported to be drawing tighter a ring around Chungking's Fourth Group Army consisting of 60,000 men in southern Shansi, following the capture early this morning of Tungfeng.—Domei.

Knox Insists That U.S. War Materials Reach Britain "Whatever the Price"

Hints at New Defence Method to Be Used Instead of Convoys; Hitler a "Maniac Loose in the World"

Washington, May 13.

Colonel Frank Knox, Navy Secretary, last night in an extemporaneous address said that United States convoys might not be the solution to the problem of delivering American war materials safely to Britain.

"Possibly," he said, "we will have to devise a new defence to see that the goods we manufacture will reach the other side of the Atlantic."

A week after he called for the use of the Navy to protect supplies for Britain, Col. Knox told the American Society of Military Engineers that the United States must make the opposition to Chancellor Adolf Hitler count "whatever the price may be.

"We cannot half fight this battle. All that America is waiting for is the word to go forward."

He minimized the question of convoys as "merely technical—one even a matter of international law."

He added that the "decision we have got to make is far more fundamental than the method of giving it effect."

He did not reveal whether some defence system had been devised or was under consideration. But added, "If we do hard, straight thinking, the matter of convoys is only minor."

He characterized Chancellor Adolf Hitler as a "maniac loose in the world. We must be on the side that opposes him we will not surrender to aggression. We will not become isolationists. We will not build a Chinese wall around ourselves. We are reduced to our first choice—either to scare them or defeat them."—United Press.

★Rudolf Hess Found Sane After Amazing Flight

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Mr. Ivone Kirkpatrick, who was at the British embassy in Berlin from 1933 to 1938 and was closely acquainted with Herr Hess, had no difficulty at all in identifying him when he saw the Nazi leader last night.

Except for an injury to his leg, doctors who saw Herr Hess found him sane and healthy. In this connection it is recalled that the German official piloted alone an aeroplane for a distace of about 800 miles, and apparently baled out from his single-seater machine when running short of petrol.

Until recently he had played a prominent part in German life, and was one of the principal speakers at Hitler's birthday celebrations on April 20.

Dramatic Messages

The full fantastic story of how Hess landed in Scotland in a Messerschmitt has been revealed in a series of dramatic messages.

The first came from the air authorities on the night of May 10 that a Messerschmitt 110 had crossed the coast of Scotland and was flying in the direction of Glasgow. This report was at first not believed, because it was known that no Messerschmitt could carry sufficient fuel to make the return trip to Germany.

Meanwhile, the Germans had announced that Herr Rudolf Hess had disappeared, leaving a note showing traces of mental disorder. They hinted that he had either committed suicide or fallen from a plane.

Herr Hess, however, was in a Glasgow hospital. He had with him photos of himself at different ages with which to establish his identity.

The announcement of the news to the representatives of the world press at the Ministry of Information will rank among the war's most amazing events. Both Mr. A. Duff-Cooper and Sir Walter Monckton, the Director-General, were present when an officer read the official dramatic story of Herr Hess's extraordinary arrival.

Official Announcement

The Foreign Office announcement made yesterday evening follows: "On the night of Saturday, May 10, a Messerschmitt-110 was reported by our patrols to have crossed the coast of Scotland and to be flying in the direction of Glasgow. Since the Messerschmitt would not have fuel enough to return to Germany this report was at first disbelieved.

"Later on a Messerschmitt-110 crashed near Glasgow with its guns unloaded. Shortly afterwards a German officer, who had baled out, was found with his parachute in the neighbourhood suffering from a broken ankle. He was taken to a hospital in Glasgow where he at first gave his name as Horn, but later on declared he was Herr Rudolf Hess.

"He brought with him various photographs of himself at different ages apparently in order to establish his identity. These photographs were deemed to be photographs of Herr Hess by several people who knew him personally.

"Accordingly an officer of the Foreign Office, who was closely acquainted with Herr Hess before the war, has been sent by aeroplane to to see him in the hospital".

The official announcement of the National Socialist Party broadcast by the German news agency states, "Party member Herr Rudolf Hess, who owing to his suffering from an illness of many years standing was strictly forbidden by the Führer to embark upon any further flying activity recently again was able, contrary to orders, to get possession of an aeroplane.

"On Saturday, May 10 at about 6 p.m., Herr Rudolf Hess again set off on a flight from Augsburg, from which he has not returned up to the present time. A letter which Herr Hess left behind shows by its distractedness traces of mental disorder and it is feared that Herr Hess was the victim of hallucinations.

Arrests Ordered

"The Führer at once ordered the arrest of the adjutants of Party Member Hess who alone had any knowledge of these flights and who, contrary to the Führer's orders of which they were fully aware, either did not prevent or failed to report those flights.

"In these circumstances it must be considered that Party Member Hess either jumped out of his plane or met with an accident."

Herr Hess is a man of impesing presence, tall, well-built and with intense commanding eyes. He is one of the Nazi old guard. Although he never played an open part in the Nazi Cabinet in the way of Field-Marshal Goering or Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, he often has been reported to have great influence over Herr Hitler.

The 45-year-old Herr Hess is the Nazi number three. "He was to follow Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, Air Chief, as successor to Herr Hitler in the event of their deaths.

Addressing the Reichstag on Sept. 1, 1939 on the day of the German invasion of Poland, Herr Hitler declared: "Should anything happen to me there is my successor, Field-Marshal Goering, and after him the Party member, Herr Hess, to whom you would then owe your duty as leader just as you do to me."

At one time the picture of Herr Hess was seen more often in illustrated papers and on the screen than that of any other Nazi leader except Herr Hitler.

Last month Herr Hess was reported to have flown to Spain with a message for Gen. Francisco Franco. Later an official denial was issued that he actually was visiting Spain but it did not say he had not been there.

Twelve days ago Herr Hess was at the Nazi Brown House in Munich receiving Vice-Admiral Savador Marino, Spanish Minister of Marine and leader of the Spanish Falangist Syndicate.—Reuter.

Peace Proposals?

London, May 13.

Herr Rudolf Hess, No. 3 Nazi who landed in Scotland by parachute on Saturday night, may have brought peace proposals—which lacked Chancellor Adolf Hitler's backing—to Britain, said rumours here last night.

The reports suggested that there is a cleavage in the German Cabinet.

Although officials remained secretive concerning statements Herr Hess made to authorities in Glasgow the surmise was current in London that Herr Hess favoured peace negotiations with Britain and ran afoul of Chancellor Hitler and the Nazi hierarchy.

The only authoritative information available from informed sources was that "Herr Hess's remarks to those who talked with him in Glasgow placed beyond doubt his complete sanity."

London rejoiced over the official announcement that the No. 3 Nazi had landed in Scotland.

Landed on Estate

Herr Hess was said to have landed on the estate of the Duke of Hamilton at Dungavel Strathaven, Lanarkshire. He apparently knew where he was because when he was picked up he asked to be taken to the Duke, said reports.

The Duke of Hamilton, formerly the Marquess of Clydesdale and known as the "Boxing Peer," flew over Mount Everest in 1933. Hitherto he has not been connected with any peace movement as far as was known.

Informed sources said that the wording of both the Berlin and the No. 10 Downing Street statements supported the assumption that Herr Hess had flown by design to Scotland and that the landing was not accidental.

The No. 10 Downing street statement referred to the unloaded guns and also the fact that the Messerschmitt 110 was not capable of a round trip flight.

The Berlin statement was suspiciously vague, informed sources said, and did not pay tribute to the Nazi leader as might have been expected had he met accidental death or committed suicide.

Pending clarification from Herr Hess personally, it was assumed in most quarters that he fled from Germany because of dissatisfaction with German policy.

Informed sources said that Hess must have "seen the handwriting on the wall and realized Germany faced eventual defeat.—United Press.

Frau Hess in Ankara

Ankara, May 12.

Frau Rudolf Hess, wife of the Deputy-Leader of the National-Socialist Party who landed last night in Scotland, arrived here by plane at 7.00 p.m. this evening.

An hour after her arrival, she was informed that her husband had disappeared.

Also on the plane was Baron Franz von Papen, the German Ambassador to Turkey.—Havas Telemondial.

Brought Medicine

Glasgow, May 13.

Herr Rudolf Hess, No. 3 Nazi and Chancellor Adolf Hitler's Deputy, brought his own medicine with him when he landed near here on Saturday night.

Herr Hess baled out of his plane a matter of seconds before it crashed, with empty petrol tanks, on a Scottish farm.

Herr Hess was alone and was not armed. The wrecked plane carried *no bombs* or ammunition.

The hospital where he was taken, because he suffered a broken ankle, found that Herr Hess was also suffering from heart trouble and gall bladder trouble and that he brought his own medicine from Germany with him for those complaints.—United Press.

Rome Astounded

Rome, May 12.

The report announcing the disappearance of Herr Rudolf Hess, Deputy-Leader of the National-Socialist Party, caused a sensation in political quarters here and among the public in General.

Herr Hess was well-known in Italy which he had visited on a number of occasions, the last time only recently. He used to spend his holidays in Italy.

Italian political quarters were aware that for some time he had suffered a relapse in his illness, but it had not been expected that his illness would have such painful consequences.

As soon as the report of his disappearance reached Rome, several prominent Italian personalities called at the German Embassy to ask for information.

The report arrived too late for the Italian morning papers to publish it.—Havas Telemondial.

Fierce Blaze in Western Area

Two Chinese Factories Partially Destroyed; Foreign Firms Damaged

One of the fiercest fires seen in Shanghai for a considerable time partially destroyed a Chinese weaving factory and a Chinese dyeing factory in Great Western Road yesterday evening and also threatened two foreign concerns, Messrs. Mark L. Moody's assembling plant and the Duncan Steel Window Co., both of which are situated near the partially destroyed Chinese factories. The foreign plants, which are American owned, were slightly damaged.

The fire broke out at about 6.30 p.m. and, owing to the highly inflammable nature of the materials with which the Chinese factories are built, it spread quickly. Admirable efforts were made by firefighters from the Bubbling Well Fire Station from which four engines were despatched to the scene of destruction in record time and in about two hours they brought the conflagration under control.

Enquiries made at the assembly plant of the Mark L. Moody (Fed. Inc. U.S.A.), which is located at 115 Great Western Road revealed that although the neighbouring Chinese factories were badly damaged, the American-owned building only sustained slight damage to the roof.

Thousands of gallons of water were poured into the fiercely blazing Chinese factories and some damage was caused to the two American concerns by water but this damage was not serious. All traffic between Great Western and Columbia Roads was stopped by the police for a considerable time as the blaze was at its height and as the firemen were attacking it from all sides. Only when the firefighters were able to proceed into the smouldering wreckage of the two factories was traffic resumed.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Mexican Highlight in "XCDN Calling"

Some of the performers in the "Mexiconga," one of the many dazzling star turns in the second edition of "XCDN Calling," which embarked on its five-day run at the Lyceum last night. Taking the spotlight in this number is Miss Jill Leith, singing "Down Argentine Way," with a beautiful and colourful chorus providing a spectacular background to the scene, which was one of the hits of the show. Bigger, brighter and better than ever, the new review of the XCDN amateurs received a great ovation from the enthusiastic, first-night audience.

THE STAGE

"X.C.D.N. Calling" 2nd Edition

The real trouble with Shanghai's amateur entertainers is that they are rapidly draining the resources of reviewers and driving the poor creatures frantic. Each new show the amateurs put on is always better than the last—and the last was always exceedingly good. And yet they go on (thank heavens) putting on new reviews, each one of which seems to reach a hitherto inaccessible peak of top-notch entertainment, totally eclipsing the last show, which in turn broke all previous records. This simply can't go on....or can it? Apparently it can, and will—as long as our amateurs go on putting on new shows.

Take this latest review of theirs, for instance. Now, the first edition of "X.C.D.N. Calling" was really excellent; it was undoubtedly the best thing of its kind that we'd seen up to date. And yet here comes the second edition, which started last night on its five-day run at the Lyceum, smashing to smithereens all our preconceived notions of how good our amateurs are, dumbfounding the critics, silencing the omnipotent wiseacres, astonishing even the enthusiastic audience—in short, skyrocketting to a new entertainment mark and sending the unfortunate—or perhaps, fortunate—reviewers scurrying off in another wild search for superlatives that are—to borrow the somewhat shop-soiled phrase of the advertisement—"bigger, brighter and better than ever."

This review may be topsy-turvy; it may be rambling; and it may be incoherent—but after you have seen this second edition of "X.C.D.N. Calling", you also will be feeling too exhilarated to be cool, calm and collected. With the last strains still lingering in one's ears, it is altogether impossible to sit down and write in a detached manner or with the correct decorum.

The highlights of the show were undoubtedly the welcome re-appearance of Mr. Long Tak Sam after altogether too long a retirement, and Mr. Bill Hegamin down in the orchestra tickling the ivories in a manner that brought forth a phosphorescent stream of jazz, of the variety that inevitably brings out the worst—or the best—in jitterbugs. But this reviewer, being as human as they come, is still completely dazzled by the "Dream Of Fair Women" he has just witnessed, and he is tempted to linger for a little longer amidst the entrancing, enchanting visions of feminine allure that filled the stage and the thoughts of more than one mere male. He is tempted to rhapsodize at length on this Parade of Shanghai's Beauties and to dwell in particular on the delight of listening to Miss Jill Leith singing "Down Argentine Way" in the "Mexiconga"—a scene that was vividly coloured, beautifully costumed and packed with "pep." This, however, is but one of the many outstanding numbers and limited space forbids any further dawdling.

The programme is divided into two parts, providing better balanced entertainment than the first production, all the weaknesses of which have been eliminated. Many of the old favourites are back again, among them our friends the Peanut Vendors, as brilliant and as funny as ever, with two welcome additions to the family—Joan Picozzi and a new find who brought the house down with a riotous impersonation of a Chinese student just back from an American University. Auntie Gigi takes the air again and the Radio Rascals are as electrical as ever, while the Jitterbugs have, like the programme, grown bigger and better than before.

Mr. Long Tack Sam, as the star of the show, is deserving of a paragraph to himself. From the uncanny ease with which he produced bowls of goldfish and a tray of glasses filled with tea from nowhere, it was apparent that his hand has lost none of its cunning in spite of his long retirement, and he even went to the length of tearing a portion of the "North-China Daily News" into small fragments, only to restore the scraps into an amazing whole once again by a bewildering feat of legerdemain. He was admirably assisted by his troupe, of which two girls almost stole the show with their incredible manipulation of two singing tops. Mr. Long Tack Sam referred to them as the "cleverest girls in China" and after seeing them, one is quite prepared to believe him. As Mr. Sam said "Marvelous people, the Chinese....."

Other outstanding features were "Lovely Lady" and "The Progress of The Dance," both with a bevy of beauties who blended decorativeness with talent and were eminently pleasing, and the two G-Men, Gino and Geza, who once again gave a delightful performance on two grand pianos.

The remaining acts were all uniformly good and though not touched on in detail here—as much as one would like to—they all combined to furnish one of the finest entertainments that Shanghai audiences have had the pleasure of witnessing. This second edition of "X.C.D.N. Calling" can be wholeheartedly recomended as something that cannot be missed. For all those who enjoyed the first effort, here is something even better; and for the few who did'nt see that first production, this is a treat that will surpass their anticipation—C.M.B.

★Foreign Police Officer Shot

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through without stopping at the barricade.

The car was nevertheless stopped and the chauffeur was ordered by Sgt. Wickdahl to show his driving licence. He answered that he had no licence and that he did not care to have one. At the same time he pulled out a Mauser, loaded it and fired three shots at the foreigner. Two shots hit the police officer, with one grazing the neck, while the other cut a furrow in his head.

Tyres Punctured

The chauffeur immediately took off and attempted to escape. His attempt was frustrated by the member of the Russian Detachment, who loaded his rifle and fired three shots at the wheels of the fleeing vehicle, puncturing the two right tyres. The car was forced to stop.

Hell broke loose after this and more than 40 shots were fired. Mrs. Wu, who was in the car at the time and who, incidentally, charged the police with firing first, escaped injury miraculously, for the vehicle was virtually riddled with bullets. The reporter of the "North-China Daily News" saw the car and counted no less than 23 bullet holes. The windshield was presumably made of unbreakable glass and stood the strain on two occasions, but three shots penetrated to wound the chauffeur and bodyguard, who was sitting beside the driver.

The C.P.C. at that time was seen to be hit and collapsed in the street, while another victim, the pedestrian, was wounded in the head. The shooting terminated as suddenly as it had begun and immediately two Red Marias, carrying eight Russian, sixteen Sikh and 24 Chinese members of the Reserve Unit, arrived at the scene. The Marines were also sent to the scene, and took up positions at the barriers and in the compound of the station. The nine men from the Nanking police made their appearance at about the same time, but were disarmed and taken to the station.

Police Efficiency

The efficiency with which the police dealt with the situation was almost amazing and traffic was resumed soon after the damaged vehicle, with Mrs. Wu still inside, had been towed into the compound of the Bubbling Well station. The official's wife, who claimed that the police were the first to open fire, was soon taken away by her husband, who came to the station. The nine men, however, were detained for questioning.

The compound of the station had an appearance of an armed camp as the detachment of the Marines piled their arms and remained at the station in order to avert any untoward incident. High officials of the S.M.P. were also present. These included Deputy Commissioner T. Robertson and Superintendent R. Shellswell, Deputy Commissioner J. B. Clissold and Superintendent R. C. Hall of the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force arrived at the station later on.

The two Red Marias, like the Marines, were detained at the entrance to the Bubbling Well station, the gates of which were closed, with only the side door kept open. Several Chinese policemen and a Marine were detailed to duty there.

Little hope was expressed for the recuperation of the two wounded Nanking men, with both not believed to live through the night.

Sgt. Wickdahl is an American, 25 years old and joined the force in December 1940. Before choosing this profession, he was a seaman on a merchant vessel.

It could not be learned just what measures both the Shanghai Municipal Police and the Nanking Police would take with regard to the shooting affray, although it was believed that the Council would file a strong protest over the affair.

CHINESE papers reported yesterday that at about 4 p.m. on Sunday a bomb was thrown into the Wing An gambling den in Lu Hsiang Yuan Road in Nantao. The explosion, stated the report, injured a worker and a gambler and wrecked some tables and chairs.

Haifa Scene of Great Activity

Vichy, May 13.

The Palestine port of Haifa has been the scene of great activity since the end of operations in Greece. Many ships full of war material, including tanks, have arrived from Britain says a Beirut despatch to the Vichy news agency.

The garrisons at Nablus and Jenin have been reinforced, and strong action has been taken in Palestine against those suspected of spreading foreign propaganda.—Reuter.

Few Greek Warships Escape Nazis

One Cruiser and Several Destroyers Get Away

Canea, Crete, May 13.

The 9,450-ton cruiser Averof and several destroyers and submarines are the only vessels of the Greek navy which escaped the mass attacks of the German air force on Greek harbours and shipping.

The ships lost included three destroyers, ten small torpedo-boats and the old battleship Kilkis, which, having no anti-aircraft protection and beng berthed at the Royal Arsenal base, sank after being set on fire during a raid.

This statement was authoritatively made yesterday.—Reuter.

Emperor of Japan to Receive Nazi Visitor

Tokyo, May 13.

Herr Helmuth Wohlthat, Director of the German four-year plan, who is heading an economic mission to Japan, will be received in audience by the Emperor at 11.30 on May 15, it was officially announced today. Herr Wohlthat will be accompanied by the German Ambassador, Major-General Eugen Ott.—Reuter.

THE Kiangsi Provincial Government has decided to ban the exportation of rice from the provincial areas as from June 1, with a view to conserving food supplies, says a Taiho message to the "Shun Pao." For the sake of economy and conservating food supplies, the provincial authorities have also prohibited the brewing of wine and have ordered that only necessary cereals may be cultivated. Government officials and students are reported to be assisting farmers till the land, the message concludes.

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British Press Regards Hess Flight As Showing Rift

German Claims That Deputy Fuhrer is Insane Ridiculed; Indications of Desperate Quarrel

London, May 13.

BRITISH diplomatic commentators today stressed the fantastic, unprecedented situation through which Britain has in her grasp Herr Rudolf Hess, the man who was the closest confidant of Chancellor Adolf Hitler and who presumably knows every secret of Germany's war effort and plans.

The commentators, in their speculation on the motives of his mysterious flight to Glasgow, generally thought it to mean that there was a grave rift in the Nazi Party. They concluded that he had fled in fear for his own life.

Official quarters were adamantly silent regarding the conference between Herr Hess and Mr. Ivone Kirkpatrick, Foreign Office attache and former First Secretary of the British Embassy in Berlin, but some political experts suggested that the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, may make a statement.

Tremendous Repercussions

British political experts were convinced that the flight will have tremendous repercussions in Germany where Hess was widely respected as one of the Fuehrer's most trusted associates.

They ridiculed German efforts to portray him as a madman. They pointed out that he had attended the last Reichstag, sitting with Chancellor Hitler. He was reported to have been sent to Madrid on a mission last week by Chancellor Hitler.

The British Broadcasting Corporation was striving to drive home to the German and Italian people the theory that Herr Hess had deserted Chancellor Hitler to overcome the official German version that Herr Hess fell or jumped from a plane and was killed. The British announcement was broadcast to both countries this morning and will be repeated frequently throughout the day.

Desperate Quarrel

The "Daily Mail's" diplomatic correspondent, Mr. Ward Price, who was closely acquainted with Nazi leaders before the war, suggested that a desperate quarrel may have broken the ranks of the Nazi hierarchy and thus Herr Hess had fled for fear of meeting the same fate as some of Herr Hitler's closest associates suffered in the blood purge of 1934.

Herr Hess, he also said, might be "just sick of the suffering which the criminal ambitions of his associates brought upon the world."

Mr. Price added that "nothing less than despair can prevail among the military, naval and air chiefs of the Reich when they think how much Herr Hess know and how much he may tell.

"As for Hitler, this incredible abandonment of his cause by a man whose fidelity to him was a national byword will convulse his hysterical nature.

"Whom can he trust if Hess proved untrue?"

The "Daily Telegraph," commenting on the official German version, said, "It was assumed from the terms of this remarkable statement that Hess was known by the Nazis to have fled beyond their control and they wished to discredit in advance any statement he might make damaging to themselves by representing that he is demented.

"This presupposes there must have been a split in the party ranks and all is not well in Nazi Germany."—United Press.

Total Night Bag For May Now 133

Londoners Digging Out From Tremendous Raid On Saturday

London, May 13.

Nine bombers were destroyed in Sunday's night raids over Britain, making the total 133 for 11 nights of May, it is now learned. During Saturday's destructive raid on London Czechoslovak night fighters destroyed six German aircraft, one pilot accounting for three.

Mr. Winston Churchill visited the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey yesterday to inspect the damage done in Saturday's night's raid.

Deeply stirred by the wanton destruction, Londoners are however accepting the situation calmly and with dignity.

The people's demeanour is reflected in the entire press. "A further attempt at terrorization," says "The Times," "was met again with indomitable courage and a resolution which knows no wavering, a resolution now fed from the deep spring of indignation and ever hardening conviction of what is staked upon victory over the enemies of civilization."

"The Times" pays a special tribute to fire fighters who, "impervious to fear, inured against weariness, worked with a resolute will that is a source of unyielding strength. Here was another exhibition of the spirit of national defence—defence of the people by the people, defence of home and freedom."

General satisfaction is felt at the destruction of 33 raiders on Saturday night and it is keenly appreciated that to fly over British cities in moonlight is an increasingly hazardous venture for the enemy.

British fighters are on the way to establishing the same ascendancy by night which they won last year by day. It is also apparent that the growing might of the R.A.F. is enabling Britain to strike back with deadly effect and that the force of the British attack is growing out of all proportion to the German defence.

Two mayors have been killed in raids on London, the Mayor of Westminster on Saturday night while visiting a shelter which received a direct hit, and the Mayor of Bermondsey, who was helping fire fighters in a recent raid.

Before midnight an alert was sounded in the London area, but for some time afterwards no raiders were heard overhead.—Reuter.

The Royal Empire Society's building in London, which is well-known to visitors all over the world, was severely damaged in a recent air raid.—Reuter.

N.E.I. Will Fight If Necessary

Sydney, May 13.

"The Dutch are resolved and prepared to fight for the common cause in the Pacific should circumstances warrant it," said Dr. E. N. van Kleffens, Dutch Foreign Minister, who, with the Colonial Minister, M. Charles J. I. M. Welter, has arrived in Australia for a visit.

"Nobody, who has witnessed the incredible bravery of the British people, doubts that the Empire and the Allied democracies will win the war."—Reuter.

The Truth About 'Sympathicotherapy'

The arrival of Dr. Vidal has aroused a great deal of comment in Shanghai. His new method of treatment—Sympathicotherapy—constitutes quite a revolution in accepted medical practices. The method, however, is very simple. Seating his patient Dr. Vidal illuminates the interior of his nostrils and delicately touches certain points within the mucous membrane. This provokes a slight reaction causing the eyes to water and a mild congestion of the facial muscles. There is no pain. Just a little vibration, and that is all.

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Dr. Vidal states that most of our ailments are due to the defective functioning of this nerve, which stabilizes our nervous system and blood circulation, thus being a true regulator of our health.

Dr. Vidal has established that a pressure on certain well determined points of the nasal mucous membranes produces favourable effects on various organs, thus helping to fight various diseases. In reality it is a type of "acupuncture" (a method well known in China), but localized in the nasal mucous membranes. Despite the fact this therapy is new and original it must be admitted that it has met with considerable success wherever practiced. Dr. Vidal has founded over 20 institutes in France and abroad. He has opened in Paris a clinic where thousands of unhappy people were treated free of charge. Official statistics showing numbers of cures or improvements obtained in this clinic are shown below. These statistics are based on ten thousand treatments.

Asthma	88%
Anxiety and Dizziness	79%
Insomnia	84%
Neurasthenia	82%
Headache	80%
Excessive Nervousness	78%
Rheumatism	77%
Neuralgia	81%
Hypertension	78%
Angina pectoris	60%
Aerophalgy	90%
Dysentery	65%
Hemiplegy	50%
Other forms of paralysis	30%
Periodical troubles	78%
Cerebral and sexual depression	90%

The above results are especially interesting when one considers the fact that a large number of these cases had tried other forms of treatment in vain. Patients suffering from asthma in particular, found that after the first few treatment, their difficulty in breathing disappeared. Patients suffering from insomnia were able to sleep, and rheumatism cases were cured of their pains.

Dr. Vidal does not pretend that he can cure all ailments by this method. There are only certain well determined treatments which fall within the scope of his treatment, and he does not treat any patient unless he has examined his reactions and then only if he is quite sure that his method will cure or improve the ailment.

This examination is free of charge and does not bind the patient.

Dr. Vidal expects to stay a few more months in Shanghai, and it is his belief that he is able to give new hope to those who have lost confidence. Dr. Vidal gives consultations daily at the Cathay Hotel, suite 707, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. (Saturday afternoons and Sundays excepted).—ADVT.

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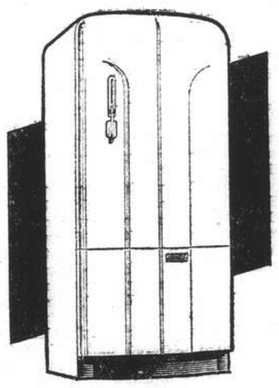

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The Convoys Get Through

Difficult and Dangerous Work of Royal Navy Described by B.B.C. Commentator

HOW the convoy system is working and the effect it has in combatting the German U-boat menace was described by Mr. H. C. Ferraby, the senior British naval correspondent of the B.B.C., in a broadcast on Sunday in the "Questions of the Hour" series. Mr. Ferraby gave an idea of some of the difficulties experienced by convoys in the present war, and concluded on an optimistic note, that the Royal Navy had found a way to deal with U-boats, and that convoys are getting through. He said:—

We all talk about convoys, and read about them and argue about them, but I wonder how many people living ashore get a clear mental picture of what a convoy actually means. I think that to many people it is all a bit hazy—they think there are lots of ships like a flock of sheep and that destroyers rush about like sheep dogs at trials—and—well that is enough. Is this a fair summary of your impressions? A fleet of ships behaving like a flock of sheep?

This is hardly fair to the officers and men of the merchant navy who are doing a particularly difficult job, and are doing it exceedingly well, and as I have some experience of convoys I shall endeavour to make the picture less hazy.

Disciplined Body

The first thing to remember is that the ships are a disciplined body and not a flock of sheep. They steam along in lines, two or three or four or more abreast as the case may be, and they must keep their place in that line. Number five cannot take the place of number four, even if he wishes to do so because maybe he does not like the smell of number four's smoke. One of the big difficulties of the convoy system is to keep strictly in line, and no doubt engineers become a little weary of only getting eight knots out of a ship they know is capable of doing 13 knots. When the system was first introduced the Mercantile Marine did not believe it could be made to work; they did not believe that they could handle their ships well enough for the ships to keep their place in the line, as it was essential they should do. They believed it was possible for warships to do this, as their commanders and crews had been trained for this kind of work, but they did not believe it was possible for the merchant ships. But they were wrong.

Here is a personal experience that I recently had. A little while ago I was standing at night on the bridge of a vessel that was one of a convoy. In all, thirty or forty ships were steaming along towards an awkward bend in the Channel that had been cleared of mines ready for the convoy to proceed, and in the Channel at that bend we had to turn round a buoy. With no moon, and in complete darkness, with not one light showing on any ship, it is not easy for thirty or forty ships to turn on a sharp angle around a buoy that you cannot see in the darkness—turn one after the other and still keep in perfect formation. This buoy was a quarter of a mile ahead of this outward-bound convoy when it was discovered that about half a mile away steaming steadily towards us was an inward-bound convoy, and we were going to meet it exactly on the bend, and there these two convoys would have to pass each other. Another thirty or forty ships going in an opposite direction to be passed through safely! The Channel could not have been more than one or two or perhaps three hundred yards wide at that point and it was, therefore, a very narrow lane.

Spectacular Performace

Well, the two convoys met at the turn—the inward-bound convoy crept up alongside the outward-bound convoy, crept up and passed it safely in this narrow lane in the darkness. It took half an hour for the two convoy to pass each other—each going in an opposite direction, and each went steaming along on its proper course, with never a ship out of line and without one Master having to show a navigation light or sound his siren. It was a spectacular performance in the dead of night with no previous rehearsals, and not one of them bumped.

I have seen eight or ten warships do this in daylight, but then their commanders and crews have been trained for this work; our merchant ships had not had this experience and people with little experience of navigating without lights wondered if it would be possible for merchants ships to do it—but they have proved that they can.

Discipline is essential in convoying—each man accepts willingly the task he is given and does it thoroughly because he understands the need for absolute efficiency if the task is to be successful. Of course, there is one here and there who thinks he knows better, and a few who say "Oh, what the heck", but they are few and far between, mostly in the coastal trade, and even they soon realise under active war conditions that the orders they have been given are based on common sense.

There has been a certain amount of criticism in this war that the convoys are too big, and I do not suppose that anyone will doubt that to a certain extent the criticism is justified, as most convoys now have double the number of ships in them that is allowed in theory. Twenty ships are the ideal number for any one convoy, with an escort of eight destroyers, but we have had to learn that the ideal is one thing and the possible is another.

Numbers Increased

We have not a sufficient number of escort vessels to run small convoys, and so the number of ships in convoy have had to be increased first to 26, and then to 36 ships, and all sorts of warships are used as escorts. From the start we have been short of escort vessels in this war, even shorter than we were in 1917.

Our air force has played a big part in assisting to convoy ships and has flown millions of miles in doing this work. They have carried out more than 200 attacks on U-boats and a great number of these attacks have been successful, but we shall not know until after the war is over just how successful they have been, and what we owe to our airforce.

There has also been some criticism about the wisdom of convoying ships during this war, for to safeguard a large convoy of ships hundreds of miles out into the Atlantic is not so easy as it was in the last war, for although we then had to contend with the submarine menace, the Germans were in the last war not able to operate their long distance bombers, nor their battle cruisers, which make our task doubly difficult this time. It is argued that if enemy aircraft can scout far out in the Atlantic and report to U-boats the location and direction of a large collection of ships, then several U-boats can get into position and make a "wolf-pack" attack on the convoy. I cannot find sufficient evidence to support this criticism, for in point of fact such "wolf-pack" attacks have been very few and far between. Further, it is believed in certain well informed quarters that the Germans have not the same number of submarines operating as they had in the last war, and this is borne out by the smaller number of our losses from this form of attack. Of course, if we listen to Berlin's claims we can never get a clear picture, as they always claim far greater successes for their U-boats than we know to be correct, and it has been found that it is always wise to divide the total damage claimed by Berlin by three to arrive at even a possible estimate of our shipping losses. In fact, on one occasion it was found necessary to divide that claim by seven before we had the correct total of tonnage sunk.

An Advantage

The convoy has one great advantage over any other system of transport—and that is that the U-boats, in order to attack successfully any of our ships being convoyed, must come within range of the guns and depth charges of their escorting vessels, and this makes it more difficult for the U-boats to attack.

A short time ago three U-boats were destroyed in this way, all at one time, and two were manned by captains known to have caused much damage to our shipping. Of course we are kept very much in the dark regarding the number of U-boats destroyed, but I think we can take comfort in what the First Lord of the Admiralty said in the House of Commons recently. He said that we have reason to be encouraged by recent results in the number of U-boats known to have been destroyed. This is very conservative official language, and it does not mean much to those who like facts and figures to work on, but I think I may venture the comment that if the Lord of the Admiralty said this, then the results have been solid and definite and proved. I think I have said this to you before, but I wish to repeat it again, that when it comes to accepting a claim that a U-boat has been sunk, the Anti-Submarine Department of the Admiralty is one large-size Doubting Thomas until the facts have been proved beyond all shadow of doubt.

Sunk Enemy Reappears

For example, at one time it was stated that a U-boat had been sunk, as her commander and some of the crew were picked up out of the sea by a British vessel, and it seemed only reasonable to believe that the U-boat had gone to the bottom of the ocean. However, a few weeks later this same U-boat reappeared in the Atlantic—her second-in-command had guided that crippled craft 3,000 miles back to harbour, and she had then been repaired and sent to the Atlantic ready to do more damage to our shipping. Therefore, we like to be very sure before claiming that so many U-boats have really been sunk Like the man from Missouri "You've got to show me".

I am glad to be able to conclude this talk about convoys on a cheerful note. A careful analysis of the figures just released giving our shipping losses for the month of April shows that an improvement has taken place so far as the Atlantic is concerned. The total tonnage lost during April was just over 488,000 tons, but of this total 187,000 tons was lost around Greece. (You will remember that in the evacuation from Dunkirk we lost 167,000 tons). It is this loss of tonnage in the Greek campaign that brings the total for April to near the half million mark. However, our position in the Battle of the Atlantic is improving steadily, and the April total of tonnage lost in the Atlantic is well below the average or the two previous months. That, of course, is not yet low enough to show that we can cope with the problem unaided, but it is low enough to show that by throwing into the struggle every element that can possibly be spared we can get the figures down. And we can take heart from the proved fact that in a world war commerce raiding is not a decisive factor—it does not win wars.

Nanking Seeks Control Of Merchant Bodies

Transport Facilities to Interior Offered

Having finished its job of getting control of the four Chinese seats on the Provisional Council in the Settlement, Nanking is now devoting its attention to the control of Chinese merchants' bodies in Shanghai. As revealed by the new régime's press, the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce Readjustment Committee which the new régime claims to have taken the place of the old Chinese Chamber of Commerce headed by the pro-Chungking civic leader, Mr. Wang Siao-lai, has now begun registering Chinese trade associations in this city.

It is said that the new chamber body has devised ways and means for facilitating transportation between Shanghai and other places, a problem which local merchants have been trying to solve with great difficulties. It is further announced that hereafter a member merchant of a trade association may petition the new committee for communication facilities through his respective association.

During the pre-war days, there were about 200 trade associations in Shanghai and while the new régime's press reported yesterday that numerous representatives of trade associations had applied for registration with Nanking's committee, no exact number was mentioned. The procedure, it was stated, would promote trade.

Japanese Deny Sinking Junks

Chinese Alleged to Have Been Responsible for Wrecking Own Craft

With the express purpose of refuting allegations made in an evening newspaper in Shanghai to the effect that Japanese forces here had been busy sinking Chinese junks and sampans in Soochow Creek, Lieut. Takahashi was sent to the press conference yesterday afternoon. The gist of a long statement was that the Chinese were themselves responsible for the sinking of their junks and sampans, deliberately flooding them in some cases and handling them so clumsily and ignorantly in other cases that the bottoms were damaged on obstacles on the bottom of the creek.

With three purposes in mind, the Japanese Naval Landing Party turned its attention to junks and sampans in Soochow Creek. These purposes were to prevent the small craft from acting as obstacles to navigation, to prevent epidemics, and to prevent further instances of terrorism such as that on May 5 when a Japanese sentry was shot, the shot being fired from a sampan, according to Lieut. Takahashi's statement.

These ancient junks and sampans were used as living quarters, and it was the intention of the Japanese authorities to have them removed down-stream.

It was true that in carrying out their plan, members of the Japanese Naval Landing Party carried axes as alleged in the local evening newspaper, but it was not true that these axes were used to destroy sampans and junks. The axes were carried with the sole purpose of cutting the knots of the moorings, these being so old that it was very difficult to untie them, according to Lieut. Takahashi's statement.

"Highly Regrettable"

There was never a case where a member of the Japanese Naval Landing Party sank these Chinese craft, according to the statement.

Some of the sampans and junks moved up-river during high tide, ignorant of the fact that there were obstacles on the bottom of the river. Then during low tide as the bottoms of the vessels were settling down, the sampans and junks were sometimes pushed with the results that the old bottoms were damaged and the boats were flooded, according to the statement.

It was also stated that about sixty Chinese destroyed their own sampans either because it was difficult to remove them or because the owners did not want to move them. Sometimes vessels were flooded and when the Japanese Naval Landing Party members left, the water was pumped out, the statement added.

In answer to a question, Lieut. Takahashi said that several terrorists had been arrested.

The allegations in an evening newspaper here which stated that the Japanese sank the sampans and junks were described as "highly regrettable."

Alleged White Slavers Appear in Court

Girls Said Lured from Skating Rink

A gang of white slavers has been working in Shanghai selling Shanghai girls to houses of ill fame in Changchun and Manchoukuo. This was brought to light in the First Special District Court yesterday when eleven men and women faced the tribunal on the suspicion that they are members of the gang. Two girls said to have been rescued from them also appeared in court. All accused were remanded in custody pending further investigations after a hearing during which the police refrained from making charges against them.

The rescued girls are Miss Yieh Shiu-ying of 23 Yung Hwa Li, Rue Conty and Miss Hwa Yueh-cheng of 24 Pao Hsing Fang in Avenue Road. A few days ago, in the evening, it was revealed in court, they went to the skating rink in the Great World Amusement Resort where they met one of the men now in custody of the court. The girls were lured out and they had been living with the man for two days. The man was alleged to be discussing the plan of sending the girls to Manchoukuo for sale when the Louza police suddenly intervened.

Mr. Gauss Arrives Here Today

Formerly United States Minister to Australia and before that United States Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. Clarence E. Gauss, newly appointed Ambassador to China, will arrive today in the ss. President Garfield as a transient passenger. He is on his way to Chungking to replace Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the retiring American Ambassador to China.

A reception organized by the American community in honour of Mr. Gauss will take place this evening from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Columbia Country Club.

Theft Charge Is Dismissed

Allegations of Posing as Officer to Export Money Unsupported by Evidence

In dismissing a charge against George Alam Kahn of stealing $90 from Tsang Se-zeng on May 7, at an address in Foh Keng Alley off Route Baron Gros in H. M. Police Court yesterday, the Registrar, Mr. C. H. Haines, observed that there was only the word of the complaining witness against that of the accused, as another witness who might have been of assistance has told an entirely different story from the one which he had related to the French Police. Although the statement he made to the police could not be taken into account, Mr. Haines continued, his evidence was of little value. Mr. E. T. Maitland defended.

After saying that he thought it was an unsatisfactory case, Mr. Haines added that it has always been a principle of English law that if there should be a doubt the accused should be given the benefit of it. The present case, he thought, was one where it was insufficient to convict on the story of complaining witness alone, unsupported by other evidence.

Accused in the witness-box strenuously denied that he had gone to the address on the day named with other Chinese to extort money by posing as police officers. He also denied he had obtained $90 from the complaining witness by threat.

Japanese Interpreter

He told the court that he was a Japanese interpreter and transportation agent and had lived here all his life and that this was the first time that he had ever been charged. On May 7, he said, he went to the address in quest of lodgings and also to buy cheap rice which, he said, he was told had been hoarded there. He found a woman smoking opium in a room in the house, he continued, whereupon he said complainant offered him some hush-money which, he said, he refused to take although it was proffered to him three times. After he left the house the complainant followed him into the alley. When he returned to his home in the evening, he said, he found that the police had taken his wife to the station.

Witness then went on to relate how he called at the station and was detained until the following morning when he was brought up before the court. Questioned by Mr. Haines, he said he had acted on occasion as an interpreter for the Japanese gendarmes in Nantao and for an anti-smuggling bureau.

Doctor's Daughter Said Kidnapper

Alleged Plot to Abduct Wealthy Relative Told In District Court

A daughter of a well known Chinese doctor, was formally charged with attempted kidnapping in which she tried to carry away a wealthy relative named Chen Zuh-hung in March of this year. The charge was framed by the Settlement police in the First Special District Court yesterday. Three other Chinese were also charged with the same crime but their lawyers tried to exonerate them. Judgment will be given on May 20.

The four accused persons have been held by the court for some time past since the police wanted to make careful investigations before framing charges against them. The accused girl, Miss Wang Wen-ying, belongs to a well-to-do family but in view of her acquaintance with a bad character, alleged chief plotter of the crime, who is still at large, she was alleged to have helped the gang in a material way before the unsuccessful attempt was made to kidnap the intended victim in Hart Road. The attempt was frustrated by the timely alarm raised by the bodyguard of the intended victim driving in a motor car and accused were arrested on April 14.

Chauffeur's Evidence

A very important witness appeared in court yesterday to testify against the girl. He is the chauffeur of the intended victim who was alleged to have been offered $100,000 by the girl for his help before the kidnapping attempt was made. He told the court that the accused girl made the offer to him but he told the story to his master, which fact resulted in more precautions being taken for his master's safety. If the gang succeeded in carrying away his master, he would receive the promised money. At a recent hearing it was disclosed that the gang would ask for a big ransom running into seven figures. A hotel waiter employed by a hotel in Yu Ya Ching Road also testified in court alleging that the girl paid the bill for two rooms in the hotel occupied by her and her men. All accused were arrested in that hotel.

Thai Military Measures

Bangkok, May 13.

A new military command comprising 25 battalions has been created in the south where Thailand has a land frontier with Malaya, according to the Bangkok radio.

"As changes and improvements are being carried out by the German and Japanese armies," the Thai authorities contemplate sending several Thai officers to be attached to those armies, the Thai announcer stated. For the first time, Germany and Thailand will shortly exchange military attaches, he added.—Reuter.

Overseas Aid Sought For Invaded Areas

Nanking Appeal for Funds To Chinese Abroad

As reported by the new régime's press, Nanking is making efforts to secure money from overseas Chinese for carrying out rehabilitation measures in Foochow and Ningpo, which are now termed as "peace zones" by the new régime's officials. A statement urging overseas Chinese to contribute money towards the relief fund has been issued by Nanking and a representative of the Oversea Chinese Affairs Committee is in Shanghai for the same purpose.

This has been done in view of the fact that most of the overseas Chinese are natives of coastal districts in both Fukien and Chekiang, which are over-run by Japanese forces. It is reported that some influential Fukien overseas Chinese have started a contribution campaign with the assistance of the committee in Nanking. Chang Chieh-cheng, who is said to represent the overseas Chinese in Japan and who is in Shanghai, has contributed $10,000 to start the campaign and high officials at Nanking are said to have also made contributions.

In a statement issued by the Chairman of the committee, Chen Cheechen, who is also acting chairman of the new Chinese Ratepayers Association in the Settlement, it is revealed that more than 800 persons have committed suicide by throwing themselves into water near Wan Su Chiao (bridge) in Foochow alone. Hundreds of natives in east Chekiang, where hostilities are going on, have fled by crossing the Chien Tang River.

"Magic Night" Dinner at Columbia Country Club

"Magic Night," the dinner dance arranged by the American Workroom for the benefit of the British Red Cross, will take place in the Columbia Country Club, 301 Great Western Road, instead of in the Chase Bank Club. More people than even the promoters expected want to enjoy this party and it has burst the bounds of the accommodation offered by the Chase Bank Club. "No overcrowding" was a promise, and to fulfil it and at the same time add to the benefit to the British Red Cross, it was decided that the spacious premises of the Columbia Country Club were indicated. The date is unchanged—May, 17 at 7.30 p.m.

Nantao Prison Said to Be Overcrowded

Convicts Transferred to Nantungchow

One hundred and fifty prisoners kept in the Nantao District Court prison left Shanghai on Monday under escort for Nantungchow on the northern bank of the Yangtze in Kiangsu where they will be imprisoned in the No. 5 Prison of the district court there, it is reported by the "Central China Daily News."

It is stated to be a temporary measure which has been carried out to remedy the overcrowded conditions in the prison in Nantao, where new prisoners can no longer be admitted.

It is admitted that crimes have been increasing following the rise of prices. It will be recalled in this connection that a recent report indicated that judicial authorities in the French Concession had been punishing many criminals by imposing fines instead of giving prison terms, in order to avoid overcrowding in the Second Special District Court prison.

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Hess's Escape:

Gone to a "Better 'ole?"

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—So, No. 3 Nazi has fled to Britain and according to Berlin is suffering from the "delusions of a maniac"—a charming euphemism when one pictures the feelings of Nazis No. 1 and 2 on the matter.

Whether Hess had got tired of *ersatz* chow, pain in the neck from too much "Heil Hitler!" or had blotted his copy-book with *Der Fuehrer*, nobody knows, but he evidently thought Britain was "the better 'ole"—and has gone to it!

At least Hess got out while the going was good—better a broken ankle from a parachute jump than possibly a broken neck later in less auspicious circumstances!

ANTI-NAZI, AND HOW!

Shanghai, May 13.

Gas Deposits:

A Reader's Challenge

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your correspondent COG has done a public service by ventilating in your columns the question of the Gas Company's demand for increased deposits from its customers. As he rightly points out, no interest is allowed on these deposits, and a simple calculation will show that if all the existing users of gas are to be tapped in this way for additional deposits, the Gas Company will succeed in accumulating a sum of free money running into several millions of dollars. One would like to know whether, in approaching the Council for permission to increase their charges to consumers, the Gas Company took into account the extra potential revenue obtainable from this gratuitous nest-egg.

In any case, the grounds on which this demand for an extra deposit are based would appear to be wholly untenable. In my own case I was asked for an increase of 180 per cent over my existing deposit on the grounds that my bill for the previous month had, thanks to the new surcharge, increased by this amount. (I may say that this demand immediately found its way to the proper place, namely the waste-paper basket). My bill for the following month was still higher, by some $10. Do the Gas Company intend, in due course, to ask me for an extra deposit of this amount also? If not, why not? And if it should happen that my bill for any one month should fall below the total deposited with the Company, may I expect to receive a proportionate refund? Again, if not, why not? I venture to suggest that, if the Gas Company propose in future to keep each customer's deposit exactly equal to the amount of his monthly bill, it will rapidly become necessary for them to take on considerable additional staff. Possibly this is the idea: increased staff will result in higher overheads, these will lead to an application to the Council to increase rates once more, and the Gas Company will then be in a position to ask for still further deposits from their customers. An incomparable example of the vicious circle.

Levity aside, however, surely the only justification for asking for a deposit in the first place is that the Company may satisfy itself of the bona fides of the consumer, and have a reasonable sum in hand in the (surely infrequent) event of default. To ask for additional deposits at this time is to violate the principles of service which the public has the right to demand from a public utility company. Few of us are using more gas in these days: our basic charges remain the same. It is only thanks to the gargantuan surcharge which is levied that our monthly bills are higher. If my gas is cut off as a result of my refusal to meet this demand for an additional deposit I shall have much pleasure in asking the Gas Company to prove their right to demand it—in a British court of law.

ICONOCLAST.

Shanghai, May 13.

Sunday's Issue:

Features Appreciated

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In Sunday's issue of the "North-China Daily News" there are three particularly interesting articles—first, the splendid letter from FORUM CONSCIENTIAE which should be cut out and pasted in one's book of news cuttings and carefully digested—however this excellent letter will not be appreciated by our protected "Whitewashed Britons." Secondly the exhilarating article by the New Zealander David Low—a change indeed from the usual somewhat ponderous and stereotyped "Letters from Home," and the article upon the decrease in the price of rice-flour-oil etc., but by a strange coincidence the price of the S.M.C. sponsored Domestic loaf was raised yesterday or the day before from 63 to 75 cents per loaf. Flour goes down, but our daily bread goes up! S.M.C. Industrial Department kindly note.

S. S.

Shanghai, May 12.

Holy Places:

A Contrast

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The Axis seems to have its own use for shrines. Here is an extract from the "Daily Telegraph" account of the taking by the British of the sacred oasis of Jarabub:

> Venerated saints of the Senussi tribes lie buried in white sandstone tombs among these stunted palm trees, and Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell decided that their shrines should not become a battlefield. Jarabub's defenders realized this. They put their G.H.Q. in the mosque itself, parked the motor transport all round, and camped among the tombs and shrines.

Gen. Wavell preferred to wait until hunger brought the Italians to surrender. The German attempt to smash Westminster Abbey shows the madness of despair.

COMFORTED.

Shanghai, May 13

Sampan Sinkings:

Reprisals Regular Feature

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Readers of MR. MARC T. GREENE's letter on the above subject will be inclined to wonder why such an incident had to take place right under the nose of that very liberal-minded journalist, in order to call forth what is, I believe, his first public protest on such a subject. Surely Mr. GREENE is aware that similar reprisals on innocents who happened to be in the vicinity of a crime has been a regular feature of Chinese life in the occupied zones for the last three and three-quarter years?

One may go further, and state that it is, in fact, a regular feature of the administration of any country, in either Asia or in Europe, whose government happens to be under the control of those singularly unsubtle thinkers, the Axis military and police. That is the chief reason why the Axis soldiers have so little joy of their conquests, and moreover it is one of the reasons why their conquests are going to prove very temporary indeed.

K.

Shanghai, May 13.

The Champions:

Appeal to Winners

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Do we not see today suffering and poverty in our midst, more than ever and in every community? And is it not a deplorable fact that the burden placed upon the many charitable organizations of every nationality in this great city of Shanghai is a very heavy one due to the inadequacy of available funds which can sufficiently cope with the extremely high cost of commodities in Shanghai? Would it not be, therefore, a laudable act of Christian charity on the part of the lucky winners of the Champions and other prizes to make liberal donations to the several Charity organizations functioning in this city?

Let us hope, therefore, that we will see, in the course of the next few days, the names of the kind donors listed in your column of daily acknowledgements. A small contribution to the Central British War fund should also be appreciated.

CHARITY DOES NOT ALWAYS BEGIN AT HOME.

Shanghai, May 12.

English Circle:

Assistance Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—An advanced knowledge of the English language being of vital importance—from any point of view—for the Jewish emigrants an "English Circle" was founded at the refugees' camp at 1090, Pingliang Road. The idea of these informal meetings—once or twice a week—is to brush up one's knowledge and to get used to speaking English on the one hand and to incite others, less advanced to take up a more serious study of the mysteries of the English language and of English idiom on the other hand. It's an internal affair, everybody staying at the camp being welcome. The foundation of our "English Circle" was greeted with enthusism by a number of the more than 600 inmates of the camp and it is up to us now to get the rest of them interested in our work.

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Shanghai, May 12.

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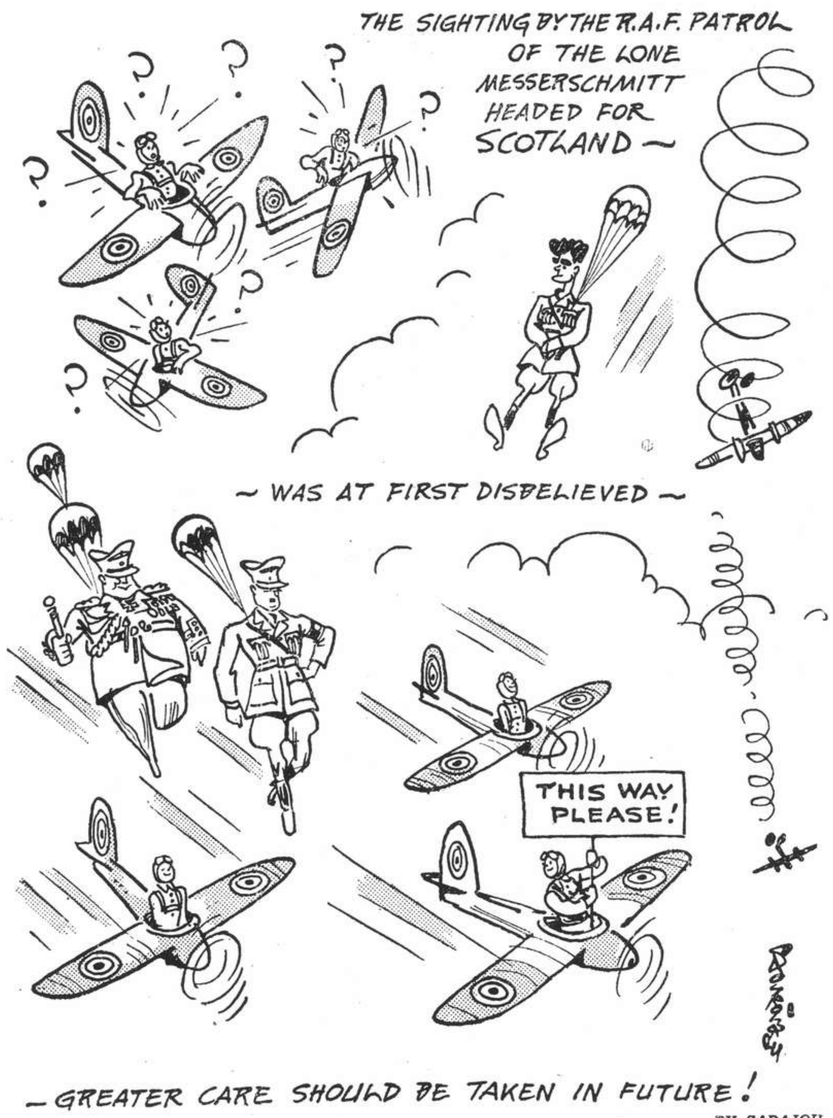

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Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF MAY 14, 1871

A catastrophe occurred to the new iron bridge over the Soochow Creek on Saturday afternoon. A few minutes after five o'clock, while a number of people were assembled in the Gardens, listening to the Hertha's band, attention was attracted to the bridge by a somewhat prolonged crashing sound, and the first two sections of the structure, at the Hongkew side, were seen to have fallen from their proper position. The cause of their fall was easily discovered, the two screw piles upon which they depended for support having, from some cause which is still a matter of conjecture, given way about six or eight feet. The end of the section uniting with the shore portion was thereby displaced, the roadway had fallen into the creek, the girder on the north side was left pendant, threatening to follow the centre portion, while the girder on the south side was only saved by butting up against the point of the corresponding girder of the shore section and maintaining a slight hold on the pile. The shore section fortunately went down even with the piles and did not swerve in the slightest, though it descended so quickly and from so considerable a height. The most probable reason which can be assigned for the accident is that the solidified mud yielded suddenly to the pressure of the structure, and that the piles then entered a soft treacherous bed, into which they were driven some distance before the weight became partly thrown off, or some harder bottom being reached, they stopped, on as good a level each with the other as when they started. The flanges may have given way, but that is less probable because they form almost an integral part of the piles. The damaged sections are being taken to pieces and removed as rapidly as possible, and the girder in danger is meanwhile supported by chains to the sound portion of the bridge.

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Washington, May 13.

The House of Representatives Military Affairs committee yesterday approved legislation removing all statutory limits on the size of the U.S. Army.

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HESS'S ESCAPE

When the third most important man of a country at war manages to flee and surrender to the enemy it must naturally cause a very considerable sensation, and Rudolph Hess, in escaping from Germany and flying to Scotland, where he is now a prisoner, has most certainly created that. It is inevitable that there must be much speculation as to what was the cause of his most astonishing action, for, right from the commencement of the Nazi Party, Rudolph Hess has been regarded as the shield-bearer of Hitler, to whom he has up to the present remained submissively, unconditionally and completely loyal. The Nazis got in first with their story of Hess's disappearance to the effect that while flying from Augsberg in Bavaria, suffering from a mental disorder he "either jumped out of the plane, or met with an accident." It was only some time later that the news was vouchsafed in London that Hess had flown to Scotland in a Messerschmidt, which did not carry enough fuel for a return journey, that in landing by parachute he broke his ankle, and that he carried with him photographs sufficient to establish his identity.

As an object lesson in laying the ground for future propaganda seeking to explain away what has happened, the story which it is presumed the adroit Dr. Goebbels has put out is good so far as it goes, providing for two hypotheses, one, that Hess is really insane, and, second, affording the chance of discovering a destroyed aeroplane in some unfrequented part of Germany with a corpse which may be identified as that of the missing man. It is to be expected that Berlin will do its utmost to persuade the world that no such thing as disaffection on the part of one so prominent in the Nazi heirarchy could possibly have taken place, and that if he did not meet with a fatal accident in Germany, his presence in Scotland is to be accounted for by reason of a progressive mental sickness. In other words the man is insane.

Chief of Hitler's civil Cabinet was the faithful "private Secretary" Hess, superior in education and manners to those who surround Hitler. He is probably mentally better equipped than those unbalanced men who form the body of the Nazi leadership and his defection at such a time as this may prove to be highly significant when all the facts come to be told. He is reported to have had great influence over Hitler, and it is there that perhaps an explanation of what has occurred may be found. Naturally the first thought must always be that he has become profoundly dissatisfied with the way the war is going; probably whatever sane men there are remaining at the head of affairs in Berlin feel the same way, for apart from the military successes which Hitler gained, far behind his original programme, Germany is no further advanced towards peace than she was when Hitler commenced this war. But there is also the possibility that the jealousies which are known to rage amongst Hitler's immediate entourage may to some extent be responsible. It was one of his duties to deal with "all unpleasantness, all backbiting and corruption within the Party," and that being so he must have created a host of enemies, including those who were offended by Hitler's nomination of him as his heir after Goering.

He may in the circumstances have decided it was safer for him in the hands of his country's enemies, than to remain at the disposal of his own opponents in Berlin. Possibly, also, having a close and intimate knowledge of Hitler's loyalties, he found that his own situation was on very unstable ground indeed. Be that as it may Hess's flight is one of the highlights in the political history of the Nazis. It indicates either his profound dissatisfaction at the way the war is progressing, or that dissension prevails amongst the Nazi leaders which made him regard his life as insecure if he remained in Germany. Of course the Nazi allegation of his having a progressive mental disease may merely mean after all a growing conviction of ultimate German defeat. But it does not matter in what light this latest development is regarded; it should sooner, or later be beneficial to Britain and her Allies, and be a definite check to Hitler himself.

THE DAMAGED COMMONS

It is interesting to note that the British Government made the necessary arrangements for carrying on the business of Parliament in the event of the Houses being so badly damaged as to prevent their ordinary use as the seat of the legislature. For some time now a replica of the chamber has been in existence, and has actually been in use on a number of occasions for full meetings of the Commons. It is smaller than the real building, the upholstery is in green cloth instead of leather, the Press is accommodated at the opposite end of the room from that to which it is accustomed,—which means that reporters will be in a gallery facing the Speaker's chair, instead of being perched above it, giving them probably a better chance of hearing everything which is going on. It is reported that they will share the space available with the diplomats who formerly had their own very exclusive gallery. Nothing is said about the strangers' gallery which faced the Press gallery in the real House of Commons, but possibly owing to the reduced size of the Chamber that may have been temporarily dispensed with.

That should be no very great hardship, for strangers rarely went there save on a sight-seeing trip, while the public will still be adequately represented by the Press. So the British Parliament which has been variously housed in the course of its long history has been obliged through enemy action to find new quarters. Where they are is probably a military secret. Yet it is a long cry from the chapter house of the Abbey to some undisclosed spot, though perhaps in distance it is not so great owing to the necessity for the meeting place to be as close to the governmental departments as possible. A similar chamber has been prepared for the House of Lords, which has already met in its new quarters, and it is apparent that these new premises have not been designed haphazard but with real foresight as to the possibilities of war.

The Germans appear to do these things differently,—or, perhaps, in justice the Nazis should be blamed. When the Reichstag met a few days ago to listen to one of Hitler's customary outpourings in the Kroll Opera House in Berlin, quite an imposing building, the exclusively leading rôle that Hitler played made it impossible to do anything but listen to his harangue. The German representatives were assembled not to deliberate but to hear what Hitler thought was good for them. So as long as the acoustics of the building are good, and no criticism of that quality has been noted, there is no reason why the Reichstag, which possesses nothing of the deliberative functions of the House of Commons, should not assemble in a place more adaptable for Hitler's theatrical methods of speech-making. Of course the ungenerous will doubtless remark that an opera house is a decided come-up in the world for a political party which saw its inception in a beerhouse, where it still holds its annual meetings.

There is in all this a splendid example of the difference between British and German methods. Despite enemy action it will still be possible for Parliament to conduct their business in connection with the war with dignity and convenience, and in circumstances which will enable them to fulfil their duties to democracy in the best possible manner. Furthermore there has been displayed a most acceptable foresight in the whole matter proving that there are people in Britain, who are not just living from day to day, but are making arrangements for the future. Whether Hitler has already built some second Kroll Opera House in which to cast the pearls of his eloquence in the event of the original building being severely damaged is not known, but it will be a decided come down in the world if when the R.A.F. gets really busy with Berlin, the Nazis are obliged to meet in some lesser building of entertainment. However, they will probably console themselves with the thought that there is a wide range of choice to be found between a pub in Munich and an opera house in Berlin, and that, of course is saying something.

Iraq Tangle

The trouble which is now in progress in Iraq is of only minor importance, unless it can be extended to considerably wider proportions than it has yet reached. A military clique, with known German affiliations, has seized power in Baghdad, and at the present moment has control of the young king of the country. The legally appointed regent has fled to Trans-Jordania, from which friendly territory he is said to be organizing a punitive expedition to restore his authority. It is probable that the coup undertaken by Rashid Ali was inspired by Germany, but it says much for the British intelligence service that they were not taken by surprise, and that the landing of British and Indian troops shortly after the coup, showed that the British Empire, at all events, was thoroughly aware of the implications which might arise from such a move. All talk of a "holy war" can be ruled out as nonsense. In the first place the Iraqis have no reason for a "holy war," since they are an independent nation, thanks to Britain. And in the second place, there are such vital religious differences existing between the Shia and the Sunni sects of the Mohammedan religion, that unity in any cause on behalf of the Prophet, can be reckoned as impossible. In Iraq territory there exist certain Shia shrines which the Shias could not allow to pass permanently under the rule of those whom they regard as heretics. No one who has witnessed a festival commemorating what is described as the martyrdom of Ali, Hussein, and Hassan, in that part of the world can doubt the sincerity of the religious emotions which inspire this people. There can be no unity in a Mohammedan "holy war" until there is unity among Mohammedans themselves. And this is very far from being the case. What has happened in Iraq can be defined as a domestic revolution which, on account of the German affiliations of Rashid Ali, may threaten to become a major international incident. It is probable that the coup has developed rather faster than its German inspirers anticipated, and that no one connected with it imagined that the British would be so well prepared to deal with it. For all that has been said against them—about their venality and what not—there are a number of well-informed Arab patriots who see through Nazi propaganda and are willing to wait for the formation of an Arab federation until the peoples who are to be federated are ripe for such an innovation. Years of Nazi and Fascist propaganda in that part of the world have shown that an Arab can be turned anti-British or anti-French, but he cannot be turned into anything but pro-Arab. He cannot, for example, be made pro-Nazi or pro-Fascist. He is not deluded by the claims of Mussolini to be the "sword of Islam," nor has he overlooked the repeated declarations of Hitler that the coloured races are born to be the slaves of the Herrenvolk. No! Though the immediate situation in Iraq is complicated, the ultimate issues involved are clear. They are the choice whether the Arabs will continue in their journey towards independence, such as they have been making under the tutelage of the British and the League of Nations, or whether they will submit to the system of slavery which all of them have noted from the Italian example on Libya. It is unfortunate that the Arab press is among the most venal in the world, and that it consequently has little influence upon public opinion, such as it is. The case as it stands is difficult to present to the desert-dweller. Broadcasts from Zeesen and Daventry are regarded with suspicion. But the Arab has his own system of what is called "bamboo wireless" which tells him what is happening in other parts. He knows or can guess which side is winning in this war. And this is the most potent factor in persuading him to favour Britain.

STRAY NOTES

May 10.—Early May sees wave upon wave of migrating birds pouring into the Shanghai area for the breeding season, and their behaviour upon arrival must be of interest to all who care to watch birds, however casually. For the past week conspicuous flights of graceful white Egrets have streamed across the sky, almost unnoticed by most of us....too busy watching colour-flaunting Oriole and loud-voiced Cuckoo. All such new arrivals for the summer season are just taking up the tasks of reproduction, while staid old residents like Magpie, Blackbird, Dove and Titmouse, have already hatched out young. Just how and when do migrant birds select their mates and start married life? Nobody can say exactly and, so far as I can see, the subject must always be one for speculation. The generally accepted theory concerning small birds, summer visitors to England, is that the males usually arrive first and take up suitable positions—not too close together—so that each will have a reasonable territory: inside this little space of half an acre or so the male selects a perch and sings until he is joined by a female. Such a habit is, I am reasonably sure, followed by our local Bush-warbler (he of the monotonous water-pouring call)—and the little females, much smaller than the males, have even now joined their newly-found spouses. I once thought that golden Orioles followed the same procedure, but this year I have seen without a shadow of doubt that the greenish females arrived with the males, and that from the very first day of May the latter could be observed performing acrobatic feats, after the manner of parrots, and whispering their little love-songs to attract the females. But how about the Buntings and other birds which winter with us and go North for their breeding season? They begin their singing and wheedling here before they start on their northward journey: do they travel with their selected mates, or do they take their chance of meeting at the journey's end? Does the little singer of the Yangtsze delta meet his ladylove somewhere in Siberia and say to her "I have been faithful to thee, Cynara, in my fashion"? Nobody knows and perhaps it's just as well.—E.S.W.

FUTURE OF CARRIERS

Different Tactics Against Dive Bombers

Have aeroplane carriers been proved too vulnerable for naval operations in the narrow seas? That is the question the crippling of the British aircraft carrier Illustrious by enemy dive bombers off Sicily has forced naval powers to ponder, writes Cmdr. Louis J. Gulliver, U.S.N., Ret., to the "Christian Science Monitor." This war is the first in which aeroplane carriers have been called upon to prove that their aeroplanes and anti-aircraft guns can vanquish attacking bombers. British aircraft carriers have been subjected to frequent and heavy pounding by enemy submarines and dive bombers. Two have been reported sunk, and the Illustrious has been seriously damaged, even though the ship was able to steam at 23 knots when she left Malta for Alexandria to refit.

Probably not until after the war will the extent of the damage inflicted on aircraft carriers be fully known. Nor, on the other hand, how much damage the carriers' weapons have inflicted on enemy aircraft. Only British naval officers are qualified by war experience to testify as to the battle worthiness of the carrier type. Even so, the facts already known make it obvious that the plane carrier is heavily handicapped when operating in narrow waters against an enemy within close range of shore-based bombers. Seas that once were considered broad have become tactically and strategically narrower as the range of bombing planes has increased. Does the fact that the oceans will shrink steadily in the future portend diminishing usefulness for aircraft carriers? The answer is by no means certain or final.

Aeroplane carriers have not been deck-armoured sufficiently to stand up under direct bomb hits. Nevertheless, there is reason to believe the aircraft carrier's limitations may yet be sufficiently offset through tactical readjustments which combat experience alone can dictate.

One of the most distinguished naval air officers in the United States Navy, with whom I have discussed this question, one who has had much practical experience in carrier service, reduces the problem to its war-college essentials in this way: "The Illustrious was tied into her merchant ship convoy and had the responsibility of protecting it against attacking planes. The decision of the Illustrious' commander to stand by his convoy raises a new tactical problem—what is the most effective position for a carrier guarding a convoy? (a) In and among her brood? or (b) off at a distance where her planes can strike just as effectively? Tactic B, it appears, would minimize the risks to the carrier but not its fighting effectiveness."

Not all naval tacticians agree that the problems raised by the attack on the Illustrious are as elemental as this. There is little difference, they contend, whether the carrier is stationed with its brood or 50 miles away in so far as being subject to enemy attacks. If among its brood, its own anti-aircraft fire helps defend the entire group. If the carrier, however, is stationed at a distance, the enemy must divide his bombing force to attack two targets, or else finish off the carrier first and then attack the convoy.

Solution Only by Years of Experience

Another high-ranking naval officer, a naval pilot in his own right, has pointed out that the problems which will arise to affect the future of the carrier type can only be solved by years of experience, to which this war will contribute much of value. This officer bluntly asserts that the carrier, in some form or other, will endure for many years to come. And he believes that the efficiency of the carrier type will keep pace with a corresponding increase in the efficiency of naval aircraft.

In appraising the part which the aeroplane carrier may play in naval warfare in the future, from the standpoint of lessons already learned in this war, we should not lose sight of the fact that the carrier can be made the means of bringing superiority of aircraft at any point of enemy concentration. Then it becomes a most valuable weapon, which may be the means of gaining control of the air. The Commander-in-Chief of the Fleet or the commander of a Task Force in war would certainly appreciate the addition to his force of aircraft for operating in the wide reaches of the ocean.

In line with the tactical readjustments which actual war experience is expected to bring about, the carrier of the future very likely will be outfitted with the type of planes which are especially suited to her mission at the moment of action. For example, if the carrier is engaged in convoy duty, she will have a brood of fighter planes on board. These are the best air weapons for warding off attacks by dive bombers. If the carrier is to take part in a fleet engagement, she would carry a preponderance of bomber planes, with only enough fighter craft on board to ward off bombing attacks on itself or the force to which it is attached.

The carrier, like all other types of naval vessels, will be improved as experience is gained. It will be needed for specific duties just as will the submarine, destroyer, battleship and cruiser. If experience has shown its limitations, it has also shown its advantages. And it is possible that the enemy paid too high a price in the number of dive bombers shot down in return for the temporary disabling of the Illustrious.

The value of the aircraft carrier is added to by constant training in the proper use of this type. It will always be dangerous for carriers to be engaged in the narrow seas. But that is true of other men-of-war. It is well to remember that war cannot be dissociated from all risks, whatever the type of ship engaged.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Young Dundee Going All Out Against Kulinberg Tonight

Out to Disprove Assertions That He is "Looking Glass" Fighter; Tihanoff Determined to K.O. Lewko

ALL boxers slated to appear on to-night's fight card at the Dalo Swimming Pool, 580 Bubbling Well Road, at 8.30 o'clock, yesterday had ended their training and without exception were reported to be in the best of condition.

Young Dundee, champion of Batavia and Singapore, who will meet "Killer" Kulinberg, of Shanghai, in the ten-round main event, yesterday asserted that tonight he will disprove assertions of some fans to the effect that he is a "looking-glass" fighter by going all out in the early rounds in an effort to stop the "Killer." Young Dundee has yet to win a fight here but has shown real boxing ability, despite his habit of loafing in the early rounds. In Kulinberg he will be facing a tough, willing boy with a knockout punch in either hand.

Lightweight Title Claimant

Young George, lightweight of note, will meet a newcomer to the local ring, "Knocker" Nagano, in the eight-round semi-final event. Nagano, a Korean, is former champion of Japan and Korea and has a long record of knockout victories to his credit. Young George, it is noted, will lay claim to the lightweight championship of China if he beats Nagano.

The six-round special event, between "K.O." Tihanoff, who knocked out the redoubtable Tex Simkins, of the 4th Marines, and also kayoed Yam Yamalovich, another crack Marine fighter, may steal top honours, for Tihanoff will be meeting crowd-pleaser Sam Lewko, of Berlin. Tihanoff will have the advantage of being younger and packing a harder punch, a deadly punch, in fact, but Lewko may even matters with his cleverness and ring experience.

Tihanoff Determined to Win

Tihanoff is determined to win tonight and then invite Nicky Wan, light heavyweight champion of China, to return from Manila and fight him with the title at stake. Since turning professional, Tihanoff has won all of his fights and all by the kayo route. He is 19 years of age and is hailed by many fans as a new Andre Shelaeff.

In all, there will be seven bouts, which should provide fans with plenty of action. The preliminaries seem well-balanced and will witness at least three good Chinese boys in action, including Typhoon Ling and Tiny Ling, both of whom have fought in the local ring several times.

America's Fitness Campaign

Wooderson May Attack His Mile Record; Finishes 5th In Cross Country Race

London, May 12.

One of the greatest efforts ever made in the name of physical fitness is surely that of the Amateur Athletic Union of United States. They pledged to the President of the United States full and complete co-operation in connection with civilian physical preparedness as an aid to National Defence.

It is so easy to make pledges, but more difficult to keep them, but the manner in which the A.A.U. have started their task suggests that there need be no fear of their pledge being broken.

A plan calculated to stimulate interest has been submitted to the 41 district associations which supervise sports throughout the 48 States. Divisions in outlying districts are being formed, each with local autonomy, and as many of them will function in areas which have hitherto, been undeveloped so far as the pursuit of athletic sport is concerned, there are likely to be thousands of newcomers to organized athletics, a point which must help in the fitness of the nation.

By preaching and teaching in every section of the vast continent thousands of young people will, perhaps for the first time, be taught the advantages of wholesome competitive athletics.

Progress Spells Success

When considering the vast expanse of the United States it will not be easy to complete the anticipated scheme, but progress already made spells success.

While there is still no news of the Amateur Athletic Association in Great Britain, making any big plans for the Summer, the ruling body is not idle.

Southern junior championships have been fixed for June at the Polytechnic Stadium, at Chiswick, a venue that may prove very popular for sporting events this Summer.

While it is good to know that the A.A.A. is still in existence, there is still awaited news of any proposed meeting of front rank importance this Summer. Difficulties in getting the co-operation of the Service sports associations do not appear likely and there would seem to be every opportunity of having a real good war-time championship meeting, or an "Allied Games."

Several of the clubs are doing their best to keep track sport alive, and if any of them were to stage a meeting and get Sydney Wooderson there to attack his mile record, it would, without doubt, show that there is a public for track racing.

Wooderson All Set

An attack on his mile record of 4 mins 6.4 secs by Wooderson is not just wishful thinking. He has stated that he is ready for such an attack. Throughout the winter Wooderson has been running in cross-country events which have kept him fit. He admits this and, on the eve of the cross-country season's closing, says "from now I will concentrate on the mile."

This comment was passed after he had finished fifth in the Southern Counties race, the feature of which was not so much Wooderson being relegated to fifth place as it was the defeat of C. T. Carter. Wooderson never has intimated that he is a cross-country champion; rather he has often said that he undertook this form of sport to keep in trim.

Carter has been the most successful man across country this season. In ten successive races he beat all opposition but then came his set back in the Southern. There were excuses, however, but not from Carter. He had been forced to cry off from an earlier event owing to a pulled muscle and the effect of this was obvious. Even so Carter might have won but for misjudging the course of 7½ miles at one point. He ran extremely well and, at the finish, was only a few yards behind R. G. Gosney.—Reuter.

Arrangements for Empire Day Show

Under the patronage of Mr. A. H. George, C.M.G. British Consul General and sponsored by this Association, a committee of riding men has arranged an afternoon's entertainment which promises to be of interest both to horse lovers and the general public.

The object is to bring in money for British War Funds, and in order that the public may feel that what they are giving goes direct to this object, they are assured that the whole of the money they pay for tickets and programmes, will reach its destination, as all expenses incidental to the Gymkhana are covered by private subscription. As regards the programme, through the generosity of the advertising firms, there will be a handsome profit after covering the cost of printing. This profit, with additional profit made by sale of programmes at the Gymkhana itself should make everyone feel grateful to the advertisers, who by such generous contributions have enabled us to reap several thousand dollars to the Fund. Every effort is naturally being made to cut down expenses, and where some minute detail may appear somewhat unnecessary, members may be sure that it is the set desire of some individual who is paying for it privately. Accordingly, the committee unhesitatingly are asking for the whole hearted support of the British community.

Children Admitted Free

The show will take place on the Polo Ground, Shanghai Race Course, on Saturday, May 24, starting at 3.30 p.m. Seats are arranged round an open arena, and even the cheaper accommodation should command an excellent view. Booking which is now open at Messrs. Moutrie & Co., Ltd., provides for reserved seating accommodation in the $20, $10 and $5 stands. If these tickets are sold out, extra tickets will be available but marked "Standing only." The $2 enclosure on the north side of the ground will have no seats, why not bring cushions?

As Empire Day is especially a children's day, those under 16 accompanied by parents will be admitted free, but will not be entitled to a seat, unless a ticket has been bought.

The afternoon's entertainment will start with serious riding events, and the committee hopes that the jumping will be of a high standard, although many of our leading horsemen have left us, to "ride to win" elsewhere. Next will come tent pegging with India competing, followed by a musical ride in costume by the children of the Shanghai Pony Club. Then suddenly off goes any yoke of seriousness, and rickshaw races and umbrella races, with the help of the fair sex and the China pony, should provide amusement for all.

Children's Musical Chairs, a Balloon Battle and a bare-backed Victoria Cross Race round off the afternoon.

Elimination Heats

Intending competitors are reminded that the entires for the Empire Day Mounted Gymkhana close today at 5 p.m. and should be sent to Mr. A. V. White, c/o White & Co., 45 Kiukiang Road. For those riders who wish to enter and have not received entry forms, they are informed that these can now be obtained from Mr. White.

Due to the inclement weather, the Organising Committee have decided that as competitors have had so little time to school their ponies, the elimination heats will now be held at the Club Hippique on Wednesday the 21st inst. commencing at 4 p.m. For those competitors who cannot get out of office early, the Committee will allow them to compete as soon as they arrive.

The Club Hippique have very kindly placed their ground at the disposal of the Gymkhana Committee. Competitors may go out there and practice as soon as the weather improves.

The public are reminded that booking is now open at Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co. Ltd., and that as over half the reserved seats have already been taken up, they are advised to make their reservations early so as avoid disappointment, as only a limited number of seats are available.

The Shanghai Polo Club have kindly loaned their ground every morning from 6 a.m. to those competitors who wish to practice Tent Pegging. The heats for this event will probably be held on Friday the 23rd inst.

Police Lawn Bowls Section

The official opening ceremony of the Police Lawn Bowls Section will take place at the Police Greens, Hongkew Park, at 3.30 p.m. sharp on Saturday, May 17, 1941.

Wolf Cub Sports

The Annual Wolf Cub Sports which were to be held today, Wednesday, May 14, at the Cathedral School Playing field have been postponed until Tuesday, May 20.

The Cavalry Proves Its Worth—At Hungjao

A group taken recently at Hungjao on the occasion of the golf match between the Light Horse and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, when the Horsemen defeated their Banker opponents by the slender margin of a single point. Messrs. S. H. J. Fox and W. H. B. Rigg led the Bankers, and Corporal A. Ricketts and Trooper K. M. Cumming played top couple for the Cavalry.

Field Events Made Easy ..... No. 4: The Discus Throw

In Addition to Height, Weight and Strength This Event Requires Strong Forearms and Hands

By "TRACKSTER"

THIS event has been popular ever since its innovation by the Greeks in the ancient Olympic Games. The Greeks used to throw the discus from a pedestal as shown in the famous statue Discobolus. The modern free style, allowing the throw from a seven foot circle, was introduced in the late nineties. Since then the diameter of the throwing circle has been increased to 8½ feet and the record in this event has also increased about sixty feet in the past forty years.

Most first-rate discus throwers, like shot putters, are large heavy men. Kenny Carpenter, 1936 Olympic Champion, towers 6 feet 4 inches and tilts the scales well over the 200 mark. In addition to height, weight and strength this event requires a large strong forearm and hand for the proper grasp of the discus. A long arm is also advantageous. Like all modern athletic events such physical qualities as co-ordination, rhythm and speed are also required for championship calibre performance.

GRIP

The discus should be placed flat against the palm of the hand with the edge held by the joint of each finger. The fingers are spread evenly so as to cover as much of the edge of the discus as possible and the thumb should be extended in a straight line with the forearm to add balance to the grip. The beginner should practive throwing the discus from a standing position until he finds the most comfortable and balanced grip. That is, he should try releasing it off the index finger causing it to spin clock-wise.

STANCE

The discus thrower's initial stance in the circle is similar to that of the shot putter. This means that he should stand in the back of the circle, with the feet comfortably spread from 16 to 24 inches apart and toes pointing at right angles to and resting on a line parallel with the direction of the throw. The trunk of the body should be nearly erect, with the weight evenly distributed between the feet, and the knees should be bent. The amount of knee flexation varies with the thrower.

PREPARATORY SWING

Most competitors take several preparatory swings which serve as a wind-up to add impetus to the body turn. They consist of backward and forward movements of the arm, preliminary to the start across the circle.

PIVOT

Assuming that the thrower is a right-handed man, the weight of the body should be shifted to the right foot as the right arm swings back on the last preparatory swing, with the left foot touching the ground lightly to maintain balance. The left arm should be extended in the opposite direction from the right and should swing in synchronized fashion with it. With the right arm fully extended backward the thrower should turn the body sharply to the left, dragging or pulling the shoulder, arm, and discus around with it. With weight shifted to the left foot a half turn should be made by pivoting on it. The turn should be continued by shifting the weight back again to the right foot and pivoting around to the left on it. The pivot steps should be taken on a line in the direction of the throw. As the turn is completed the left foot should be placed on the ground near the front of the throwing circle so that both feet are firmly planted for the throw.

THROW AND REVERSE

With one continuous and harmonious motion, the contestant should go from the pivot into the throwing action. In a final forceful effort, the right leg should be extended, the body should be turned sharply to the left, the right arm should be "whipped" in the same direction as the pivot of the body, and the wrist should impart a final snap to the discus. The thrower should straighten up from a moderate knee bend position at the moment of the release so as to get the entire body weight behind the hurl. The weight should shift from the right leg to the left and the discus should leave the hand from about shoulder height at an angle of 30 degrees to the ground. While the arm and the body rotate counter-clockwise in the pivot, the discus is released off the index finger with a clockwise spin. Many throwers quickly reverse their feet just after the throw so as to maintain better balance.

TRAINING

Considerable time should be put in on such seemingly small essentials as body building exercises and good general training habits. Kenny Carpenter increased his distance ten feet one year by carrying a sponge rubber ball which he kept squeezing with his fingers. This little exercise paid dividends at Berlin in 1936. A suggested weekly training schedule follows.

Monday—Long warm-up on form and rhythm.

Tuesday—Warm-up, 1½ hours work on form (not all throws but many pivots in the circle), Six easy throws for distance.

Wednesday—Warm-up. Spend some time with the sprinters working on speed, spend a little time on the low hurdles.

Thursday—Warm-up, work on form with last three throws for distance.

Friday—Rest.

Saturday — Complete warm-up. Competition or distance trials.

Note: Considerable time is spend on speed and form. Remember that the three most important factors in any event are form, rhythm and speed.

Difficulties of Regaining Status

After War's Conclusion Mary Hardwick Hopes to Become Amateur Again

London, May 12.

No difficulties are presented when a sportsman, or sportswoman, decides to change from amateurism to professionalism; the trouble begins when he, or she, desires to return to the amateur ranks.

The question comes to mind when considering the case of Miss Mary Hardwick, who changed her status, towards the close of 1940, and began a tour with Miss Alice Marble, W. T. Tilden and Don Budge.

Miss Hardwick has, incidentally, won a second victory over Miss Marble, the Wimbledon and American title-holder. This was at Johake (Arizona) where, after losing the first set 5-7, she ran out with 6-3, 8-6 to take the match.

It has been stated that Miss Hardwick will apply for reinstatement as an amateur after the war and should this occur her case would, naturally, receive every consideration.

Explanation of Position

Miss Hardwick, shortly after changing her status, explained her own point of view very clearly It was noteworthy that, when she gave an interview, she spoke, not so much of the tennis she would play but of the use to which her services as a professional could be put.

"It was hard to give up my amateur standing", she said, "you can understand what that sort of thing means to a family like mine. But I don't want to be just a useless refugee. It is the only way I have of making any money and the only way I can contribute to the British war fund I've been working a lot with the Bundles for Britain committee, but I wanted to contribute directly. First I had to persuade my family; that was not easy; finally they understood. My brothers were the worst, they're not much more than schoolboys really, although they're fighting.

She has certainly maintained that promise for her matches with Miss Marble have been fought, not like exhibition games, but as though she were battling on the Wimbledon centre court in the final of the championship.—Reuter.

Cardinals Down Pirates 6-2 In Feature Game of Leagues

Cubs Run Wild to Trounce World Champions 12-1; Red Sox Make It Three Straight Over Yankees

New York, May 12.

LON Warneke ran his string of mound victories for the season to four today as the St. Louis Cardinals downed the Pittsburgh Pirates, 6-2, in the feature game of the major leagues.

August Mancuso and Jimmie Brown led the batting attack for the winners by getting three hits apiece. Vince DiMaggio, Pirate outfielder, hit the only circuit drive of the game in the fifth with one man on base.

Warneke yielded only seven hits and held the Pirates scoreless every inning but the fifth. The Cards collected thirteen safeties from the offerings of three Pittsburgh hurlers.

The Chicago Cubs again soundly trounced the Cincinnati Reds, 1940 world champions, running wild in the early innings, to score a 12 to 1 victory.

During the first three frames the Cubs converted four hits, four errors and nine walks into nine runs. Five of the scores were amassed in the second on two hits, three walks and a couple of errors.

Only Allowed 6 Hits

Bill Lee allowed the Reds only six hits. Monte Pearson started on the hill for the Reds, but lasted only two innings. He was succeeded by Jimmy Turner who in turn gave way in favour of Floyd Moore in the eighth.

Joe Cronin's Boston Red Sox made it three straight over the faltering New York Yanks, scoring an 8 to 4 win behind the steady hurling of "Lefty" Grove. It was Grove's 295th Major League win.

Jimmie Fox started the fireworks by slashing out a homer in the first frame with Dominic DiMaggio and Ted Williams on base. Two more runs were accounted for before Boston was retired in the opening inning as a result of doubles by Bob Doerr, a walk, and Bob Rolfe's double error in handling Peacock's grounder.

Vernon "Lefty" Gomez started on the mound for the Yanks but was soon chased to the showers. Marvin Breuer and Branch succeeded Gomez in attempting to halt the Boston club.

The Washington Senators moved out of the cellar and into sixth place by defeating the Philadelphia Athletic 5 to 1. The Senators collected four of their runs in the fourth and the other in the fifth.

During the fourth inning Jimmie Vernon homered. Joe Lewis and Fred Chapman singled, Cecil Travis connected with a double and Jimmie Bloodworth slashed out a three bagger.

Emil Leonard limited the Athletics to six hits and held them scoreless after the second inning. Three hurlers were thrown into the fray by Manager Connie Mack in a futile effort to stop his club from dropping into seventh place.

Box Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	12	14	2
Cincinnati	1	6	4
Batteries:—Lee, McCullough, George, Pearson, Turner Moore, Lombardi, West.			
St. Louis	6	13	0
Pittsburgh	2	7	0
Batteries:—Warneke, Mancuso; Hemtzelman, Lanahan Dietz, Davis.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	4	10	2
Boston	8	8	1
Batteries:—Goniez, Brener Branch, Rosar; Grove Peacock.			
Philadelphia	1	6	1
Washington	5	8	0
Batteries:—Mccrabb, Rabich, Riohuson, Hayes; Leonard, Ferrell, Early.			

Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	18	8	.692
Boston	12	8	.600
Chicago	12	9	.571
New York	13	12	.520
Detroit	11	11	.500
Washington	9	15	.375
Philadelphia	7	16	.304
St. Louis	7	13	.350

AMERICAN LEAGUE

St. Louis	17	5	.773
Brooklyn	19	6	.760
New York	11	9	.550
Cincinnati	10	13	.435
Boston	9	12	.429
Chicago	8	12	.400
Philadelphia	7	16	.304
Pittsburgh	6	14	.300

—United Press.

Portuguese Co. Hold Annual Rifle Meet

Fifty members of the Portuguese Company S.V.C. paraded at the Rifle Range on the morning of Sunday, May 11, for their 35th. Annual Rifle Meeting which was fired off concurrently with the Annual Classification Course; the weather conditions were ideal but the standard of shooting, judging from past performances by this Company, proved to be rather disappointing as only eight men attained the "Marksman" grade.

Pte. Leo Maher, a comparative new-comer in the ranks of the Company turned in a very creditable score of 138-points—out of a Highest Possible Score of 160-points—to become the Company Champion for the ensuing year. He was closely followed by Pte. Alberto Cruz with 134-points and Lieut. Alvaro M. Marques, last year's Champion, with 133-points.

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Pte. Leo Maher (643)—A-1 Class	138
Class Championship—H.P.S.	160
A-1 CLASS	
Pte. Alberto Cruz (573)	134
Lieut. Alvaro M. Marques	133
Pte. Bernardo Marques (297)	127
'A' CLASS	
Lieut. Mario A. Ferras	107
Pte. Alvaro Carion (380)	120
Pte. Alberto Collaco (597)	119
Pte. Henrique Remedios (420)	118
'B' CLASS	
Pte. Jose Remedios (346)	112
Pte. Francisco Rocha (560)	96
"C" CLASS	
Pte. Louis d'Aquino (332)	105
Pte. Gustavo Silva (640)	94
"SOOCHOW" CUP—H.P.S.	130
Pte. Leo Maher (643)—A-1 Class	85
N.C.O's MESS CHARITY CUP—H.P.S.	120
Lieut. Mario A. Ferras	107
"VERDANT VILLA" CUP	
No. 9-Section—Cpl. Alvaro Britto—Average	81
"BOTELHO" SHIELD	
No. 3-Platoon—Lieut Alvaro M. Marques—Total	1,186
RECRUITS' COMPETITION.—H.P.S.	100
Pte. Jose Collaco (655)	92

ANNUAL RIFLE CLASSIFICATION

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U.S. Will Not Mediate in China Says William P. Simms

Japan Will Have to Agree in Advance to Discuss Peace on Basis of Nine Power Treaty

New York, May 13.

MR. William P. Simms, special writer for the Scripps-Howard newspapers, yesterday predicted "with considerable authority" that the United States would refuse to accept the role of the mediator in the Orient "unless Japan in advance agreed to discuss peace on the basis of the nine power pact.

"Seemingly," he said, "there is about as much chance of that as of the United States agreeing to act otherwise."

Mr. Simms said that the United States, for strategic as well as ideological reasons, would refuse a "makeshift peace." America, he said, was trying to restore the balance of power in the Far East and the south Pacific and China was indispensable to that balance.

Chancellor Hitler, he said, wanted the Sino-Japanese war terminated in order to permit Japan to cause the Allies trouble in the South Pacific "up to and including war with the United States."

M. Joseph Stalin also favoured a Japanese-American war and now was appeasing Japan to the point of possibly discontinuing aid to China, M. Stalin said.

Japan, if possible, would terminate the war with China on the basis of Japan's 21 demands, plus recognition of Manchoukuo, which would "make Japan dominant while leaving China in appearance independent," Mr. Simms said.

Mr. Simms pointed out that the Japanese press recently has been minimizing possible gains which would result from the war with China while talking appeasement and suggesting an understanding with the United States. All this was regarded as signifying important changes in the offing for Japan.

No U.S. Assistance

Washington, May 13.

Numbers of newspapers today painted a picture of Japan seeking a peace treaty with China so as to release her forces engaged there and as being upset by reports that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek would listen to no mediation, except by the United States, which probably would not be forthcoming.

The "New York Times" in an editorial stated that after four years of war in China, Japan has not conquered China and had expended much of her resources, sacrificed world good-will and held territory which would be economically unremunerative, while the armies she had to maintain there injured her internal economy.

The paper said that now she saw richer booty elsewhere she would like to have her forces free to go after it.

The "New York Times" likened Japan to a small boy stealing candy who grabbed a handful in one jar then saw more luscious fruit in another but could not reach it without releasing the plunder he already held.

Apparently far from preparing to mediate in the Far East, the United States was reported in Washington today to be going in for further aid for China by assisting in the establishment of air bases in Burma from which to safeguard the Burma Road and permit supplies to reach the Chinese armies freely.—Reuter.

Washington Speculates

Washington, May 13.

Inspired reports of a new peace drive in the Sino-Japanese war, yesterday were interpreted here as another attempt to ensure that the United States Fleet stays in the Pacific, regardless of events in the Atlantic.

Some peace rumours originated in Washington, but most of them in Tokyo. All observers believed were calculated to draw a statement from the United States as to just what naval policy would be followed in the event of further Japanese moves southward.

President Roosevelt and Mr. Robert G. Menzies, Australian Premier, were thought to have discussed the situation during their conversations yesterday.

Menzies also conferred with State Department officials, and presumably touched on U.S.-Australian collaboration in the event of a Japanese move in the south Pacific.

Sino-Japanese peace suggestions have not been taken seriously here, said informed sources, but were classified as attempts to make the United States fear that the Japanese army, once free from war in China, might attempt to seize the Netherlands East Indies.

The Japanese press suggestion that Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, should visit Washington, likewise was classed as having been made without responsible backing.—United Press.

No Change in Japan's China Policy

Tokyo Spokesman Says Wang Regime Will be Supported

Tokyo, May 13.

Japan will not change its policy regarding the China affair because it will continue to support the Wang Ching-wei regime, a Government spokesman said here today.

Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy Spokesman of the Cabinet Information Board, told correspondents that the Government endorsed recent statements made in Shanghai by Mr. Kumataro Honda, Japanese Ambassador to Nanking.

"There will be no new policy toward China," Mr. Ishii said, "because it is the foreign policy of the Japanese Government to strengthen Mr. Wang Ching-wei's government at Nanking.

Mr. Ishii also paid high tribute to Mr. Honda, whom he called the "greatest diplomat." When a correspondent suggested that perhaps Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister, also was a great diplomat, Mr. Ishii replied that both men were the "greatest diplomats but Mr. Matsuoka raised his hat to Mr. Honda who was senior."—United Press.

Kobe Briton Appeals Espionage Sentence

Second Retrial Asked by Mr. Vincent Pieters

Tokyo, May 13.

The Tokyo Supreme Court this morning began the hearing of the second appeal by Mr. Vincent Pieters, 47-year-old British merchant of Kobe, against his conviction by the Osaka District Court and the Court of Appeals on a charge of military espionage.

Meanwhile, as a feature of anti-espionage week throughout Japan, vernaculars this morning carried alleged memoranda by Mr. Pieters purporting to outline a plan of action for gaining strategic information.

Mr. Pieters was originally sentenced by the Osaka District Court to eight years' penal servitude, but the Court of Appeals later, although upholding the conviction, reduced the sentence to five years.

Mr. Pieters is said to have been the first Briton to be convicted by two courts of military espionage.

The original sentence was handed down last autumn by the Osaka District Court following a trial conducted wholly in Japanese, a language of which the defendant is practically ignorant. Mr. Pieters was arrested in January last year.—Reuter.

Judgment on May 23

Tokyo, May 13.

The Supreme Court this morning heard an appeal for a retrial of the case of Vincent Pieters.

The lawyer for the defence appealing for a retrial was ill and the Court appointed Mr. Yokichi Kayase who pleaded on behalf of the defendant. Judgment whether Pieters is entitled to a second retrial will be handed down May 23.—Domei.

Australia to Appoint Minister to China

Sydney, May 13.

Announcing Australia's decision to appoint a Minister to China, Sir Frederick Stewart, Minister for External Affairs declared that this step had been taken "as a further recognition of the fact that Australia had vital interests in the Pacific area and had assumed increasing responsibilities there."

The appointment added Sir Frederick, would enable Australia to play an effective part in Pacific affairs. The Minister will be selected shortly. The Chinese Consul-General has intimated that his Government welcomes the decision.—Reuter.

The Chinese Government will soon send a Minister Plenipotentiary to Canberra.—Reuter.

Half Grain Crop in France Destroyed

London, May 13.

Half of the grain crop in unoccupied-France has been destroyed owing to a late frost, says the Moscow radio.—Reuter.

Soldiers, Strikers Clash in Malaya

Communist Agitation Said Behind Trouble in Port Swettenham District

Singapore, May 13.

Striking rubber workers at the port of Klang in the Swettenham district, clashed with soldiers and police on Friday, it was disclosed yesterday when interrupted communications with the port were restored.

An estimated 8,000 rubber labourers went on strike. Police reinforcements, armoured car units and an Indian army battalion were called out when violence flared and four major clashes occurred.

One labourer was killed, several were injured, three policemen and numerous constables were hurt, said reports.

Communist agitators were suspected of fomenting the strike after a grievance committee had protested against the dismissal of some workers, it was said. Intervention of the Indian Government agent in Malaya became necessary. The Central Indian Association called an emergency meeting. The association president was said to have conferred with Sir Shenton Thomas, Governor of the Straits Settlements.

Latest reports from up-country said the situation was quiet and that telephone communications had been restored after being disrupted for three days.

Sir Shenton declared that the "disturbances were a direct challenge to the Government's authority."

Informed sources said that the bulk of the strikers were compelled to strike by coercion of a small but violent minority.—United Press.

Striking Wheelbarrow Coolies Demonstrate

Attack Trucks Conveying Rice; Two Arrests Made

Although the labour situation remained without a change yesterday, some ugly incidents occurred in the morning when about 200 striking wheelbarrow coolies stormed trucks, hired to convey rice, in an effort to force them to stop the transportation of it. Two men were arrested by the Louza police station, while the rest were dispersed. The first signs of trouble were noted at about 9.45 a.m. when the coolies were seen marching along Yu Ya Ching Road in the direction of the bridge. Later on, the coolies attacked several trucks loaded with rice on Sinza Road, only a few steps away from Yu Ya Ching Road.

Bigger damage by the strikers was averted by the timely appearance of police, who made the two arrests.

The strike of the wheelbarrow coolies involves more than 1,000 men. The dispute was declared on Monday morning after their request to the rice hongs to let them continue the transportation of rice had been ignored. It is reported that the coolies have been deprived of right to convey rice due to unceasing occurrences of thefts of rice on the streets.

It was learned yesterday that the Shanghai Municipal Police will make an attempt to settle the strike.

Meanwhile, it was learned yesterday that the lithographers, more than 1,000 of whom are on strike, had submitted demands to their respective managements for increases in wages and rice allowance. Negotiations were started yesterday.

Idle Money Enticed To Interior

Chungking Banks Offer High Interest Rates

As the first step towards absorbing idle Chinese capital which has caused much trouble in the financial world in Shanghai, the four Chinese Government banks have received orders requiring them to open simple savings departments, where the high interest of six per cent. is allowed. Eight per cent. interest is allowed in the "National Reconstruction Savings" department. Another way of absorbing the idle money is the new savings system which enables customers to draw out both the capital and interest after a period of five years.

No official statement has been issued in regard to the exact sum of money thus absorbed by the Chungking authorities during the past year or so, when the talk about such a step began, but recent Chinese press reports had it that the flight of capital from Shanghai through such efforts which are still being made by Chungking agents in Hongkong and Chungking amounted to $500,000,000.

Another stabilizing factor noted in the Chinese press is the recent formation of the Equalization Committee in Hongkong, which is said to be composed of three Chinese, one Briton and one American. It is said that hereafter the foreign exchange market in Shanghai and China as a whole will be stabilized by the establishment of the committee which was organized following the recent British and American granting of credits to China. Hereafter, it is further stated, the legal foreign exchange rates will be announced by the Central Bank of China, and the rates in the black market, by the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Soviet Ambassador Returns To Berlin

Berlin, May 13.

The Soviet Ambassador to Berlin, M. Dekanosov, returned to his post yesterday after spending 14 days in Moscow.—Reuter.

House Committee Approves Sealing Leakage of War Supplies to Japan

Legislation Would Apply U.S. Export Licensing Control System to Exports from Philippines

Washington, May 13.

The House Military Affairs committee, yesterday unanimously approved legislation recommended by the State Department and designed to stop leakage of war materials and supplies to Japan through the Philippines.

The legislation would apply the U.S. export licensing control system to Philippine exports. Sr. Joaquin Elizalde, Philippines Resident Commissioner in Washington, said that the Commonwealth Government concurred in the action.

The legislation also would extend export control to the Panama Canal and the District of Columbia.

The committee heard from the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, General R. L. Maxwell, Export Control Administrator and Sr. Elizalde, testifying on behalf of the State Department, War Department and Commonwealth, respectively.

Mr. Acheson and Gen. Maxwell said that the bill was essential in order to retain essential raw materials for the United States.

Sr. Elizalde disclosed that President Quezon as long ago as March 11, had invited U.S. officials to suggest export control measures.

Mr. Acheson said that since the start of the European war, other nations—obviously referring to Japan and Russia—had been competing in the Philippine market for essential war commodities and had been bidding higher and higher prices, thus diverting the flow from the United States.

Gen. Maxwell emphasized the importance of abaca, produced in the Philippines, to the Navy and indicated that the export control division would make an immediate effort to control its diversion.

Sr. Elizalde, under questioning, said that an "unfortunate impression" existed about the disproportionate number of Japanese in the Philippines. He said there was a maximum of 28,000 Japanese in the Philippines, the majority of whom were in Davao.—United Press.

Hai Alai Action Adjourned to Today

The action for an accounting brought by several shareholders of the Parc des Sports (Auditorium) operators of the Hai Alai against the directions of the company was adjourned by the French Consular Court without a hearing yesterday until this morning.

Claiming that the directors had paid to themselves considerable sums for their services to which they were not entitled, plaintiffs through their counsel, M. d'Auxion de Ruffé, reserved the right to subsequently ask for the dismissal of the accountants of the company, whom they accused of gross dereliction in their duty. For the defence M. Paul Premet declared that the accounts had been approved by a majority of shareholders and could not be set aside even by the court at the instance of a minority in accordance with French company laws.

Drastic Action Against Rice Hoarders

Chungking, May 13.

The Chinese Government has officially announced the death penalty for those who hoard more than 5,000 piculs of rice, and life imprisonment for hoarders of more than 3,000 piculs.

Persons hoarding more than 1,000 piculs of rice will be sentenced to ten years' imprisonment; those who hoard more than 500 piculs to three years' and hoarders of more than 200 piculs to one year's imprisonment. Persons hoarding more than 50 piculs will be fined $1,000.—Reuter.

War Games Played At Hawaii

Dive Bombing Attacks on Pearl Harbour Made by "Enemy" Planes

Honolulu, May 13.

First action in the largest U.S. Army manoeuvres in Hawaiian history, got underway shortly after dawn yesterday, with U.S. Army planes simulating enemy aircraft "dive bombing" Pearl Harbour.

The planes were assumed to have flown from aircraft carriers included in a hostile fleet within striking distance of Oahu. They also "dive-bombed" the Hickam field area.

The Army announced that defending forces "took suitable measures to turn back enemy planes."

Meanwhile, troop convoys moved along Oahu highways in the early morning. By dawn, said the Army, troops were perfecting positions to meet special problems which were imposed on the 1941 problem.

Tin-hatted "doughboys" in full field equipment guarded all vital points in Honolulu.

Approximately 40,000 men, the mightiest military force ever assembled in Hawaii, participated in the manoeuvres,—designed to simulate circumstances which would arise from a simultaneous attack in both the Atlantic and the Pacific.—United Press.

Leighton Stuart Visits Chungking

Chungking, May 13.

Mr. Leighton Stuart, Chancellor of Yenching University in Peiping, is in Chungking on one of his periodical visits in connection with the preservation of the University.

Reports that he is the bearer of any alleged peace terms from the Japanese are strenuously denied here. Authoritative Chinese sources in Chungking emphasize that Mr. Stuart has been persistently trying to keep out of politics.

His main interest, they declare, is to keep Yenching University going, and his present visit is only one of several periodical visits he has made to Hankow and Chungking after the outbreak of war in order to keep in contact with the Chinese authorities.—Reuter.

Further Military Control In Rumania

Berlin, May 13.

A further 17 enterprises, including the Rumanian-Danube Shipping Company, have been brought under military control by a decree of the Rumanian government, says a Bucharest despatch.—Reuter.

New Marriage Laws

Tokyo, May 13.

Alcohol, cocaine and morphine addicts must get a doctor's certificate of complete cure before they can take the nuptial vow, under the unprecedented National Eugenics Marriage Law which is sponsored by the Eugenics Section of the Welfare Ministry and which becomes effective this coming July.—Domei.

Hitler Reported to Have Met Darlan for Talks

Conversations Expected to Mark the Start of Important Franco-German Rapprochement

Berlin, May 13.

CHANCELLOR Adolf Hitler has received Admiral Francois Darlan, French Vice-Premier, informed sources here said yesterday. Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, was present at the meeting, the place of which was not disclosed, said the informed sources.—United Press.

Vichy, May 13.

The conversations which Admiral Francois Darlan, Vice-Premier, held over the week-end with highest German political personalities "somewhere not in Paris" marked the start of general political as well as economic rapprochement within the framework of the Franco-German collaboration pledge, informed sources here said yesterday.

Big Role

France and Germany were said engaged in conversations for France to play a big role in Chancellor Adolf Hitler's Europe-African readjustments, which propose to establish a new order on the Continent and convert Africa into a well exploited and gigantic pool of raw materials to keep Europe fed and European factories supplied with raw materials.

Admiral Darlan was reported to have been accompanied by the able expert, M. Benoist-Mechin, Assistant General Secretary for Propaganda, who also was charged by the Vichy Government with establishing a liaison with the Germans.

He is a comparatively young historian of about 43, who spent many years in Germany, where he wrote an excellent history of the German army.

Left Paris

M. Benoist-Mechin quit Paris shortly before Admiral Darlan and carried necessary files for negotiations, including an extensive file concerning technicians, farmers and miners among war prisoners, whom Admiral Darlan wants liberated to fill essential roles in French economic recovery.

At the same time, M. Georges Scapini, the Ambassador in charge of problems for prisoners, left Paris over the week-end for Germany to inspect prison camps.

There was absolutely no mention here of Admiral Darlan's trip or negotiations. There have been no communiques issued, and no inspired or authorized explanations.

Complete silence marked everything about Admiral Darlan's movements. He is known as the most silent Cabinet chief in 20 years of French politics. He is even more silent than such politicians as the late M. Georges Clemenceau and M. Pierre Laval.

It is possible to judge the present negotiations only from the fact that the German press now attaches considerable importance to the African problem and proposes a solution calling for pooling of the colonies and redistribution among the European community of nations in order to ensure that Africa is methodically exploited for maximum returns.

Meanwhile, coincident with Marshal Philippe Petain's return to Vichy from the Riviera, the United Press was informed that Admiral William Leahy, United States Ambassador to France, has asked for an appointment.

Admiral Leahy seeks clarification, for Washington, of reasons for the warning to America recently voiced by M. Fernand de Brinon, French Ambassador-at-Large in Paris, and also for the violent anti-American campaign in the Paris press.—United Press.

French Envoy Returns To Madrid

London, May 13.

The French Ambassador in Madrid, M. Pietri, returned to Spain yesterday from Vichy where he had a talk with Marshal Petain, head of the Vichy Government.—Reuter.

P.I. Said Preparing to Intern Japanese

Japanese Travellers Say Camps Being Built

Tokyo, May 13.

The Filipino authorities at Manila were building internment camps for Japanese as well as for themselves in the event Japanese troops occupy the Philippines, said Japanese passengers arriving at Kobe from the Philippines aboard the Mexico Maru, according to the Japanese news agency.

The Filipino moves indicated the extreme excitement over the Far Eastern crisis which they themselves were inviting, the passenger said, according to the Japanese agency.

The agency said that the Japanese from the Philippines reported that 18,000 Japanese residents of Davao were in a predicament because they were unable to receive police protection.

Recently, according to the passengers, four Japanese were murdered by burglars, but the police made no efforts to apprehend the criminals, after which burglaries continued, the Japanese agency claimed.—United Press.

Honda on Soviet Pact

Kyoto, May 13.

Although the Japanese-Soviet Neutrality Pact evoked obvious political repercussions in Chungking, Japanese should refrain from indulging in excessive optimism, Dr Kumataro Honda, Japanese Ambassador to the Nanking Government, told the press in an interview at the Kyoto Hotel this evening.—Domei.

Carol To Live in Cuba

Bermuda, May 13.

Carol, exiled King of Rumania, will make his home in Cuba, he told press correspondents here yesterday. He said that his plans to reside in Cuba were "at least as permanent as could be expected." He declined to say how he escaped from Spain.—United Press.

Opium Seized in U.S.

New York, May 13.

Treasury Department agents last night seized US$100,000 worth of opium aboard the freighter, City of New York, and arrested Guey Quay, 44-year-old Chinese laundryman working on the steamer.—United Press.

Boy Played with Matches 800 Houses Burnt

Aomori, May 13.

Damage amounting to Y2,400,000 has resulted from a fire which razed 800 houses in the central parts of Aomori, after raging for four hours yesterday. The blaze was caused by a 5-year-old boy, who was playing with matches, it was disclosed this afternoon.

The boy's charred remains were found today near a public bath-house in Sanbongimachi where his father was employed and where the fire originated. Meanwhile, relief is being rushed to Aomori from the adjoining communities as well as large cities in other parts of Japan, including Tokyo.—Domei.

Rice Profiteers Beaten By Hongkong Action

Now Selling Grain Below Official Control Prices

Hongkong, May 13.

The establishment of rice-selling centres by social workers, who are headed by local church leaders, succeeded within 48 hours in smashing the Hongkong rice profiteering ring to such an extent that today dealers were actually selling rice below official control prices.

Local dealers were selling rice today at HK$13 a picul, which was HK$1 below the official price set by the Government control board.

Meanwhile, rice merchants sent a petition to the Hongkong Government through Chinese members of the Legislative Council asking for a modification of the Government monopoly scheme.

Under the monopoly plan, the Government assumes entire control of the imports and exports of rice, including exports to Shanghai.

The merchants, in their petition, claimed that the proposed scheme would result in a vast amount of unemployment as well as the flight of capital from Hongkong.—United Press.

Malta Bombed 600 Times

Malta, May 13.

Considerable damage was done to civilian property when enemy aircraft attacked Malta in three waves last Sunday night.

There were few civilian casualties.

Four alarms were sounded yesterday, when aircraft were reported to be in the vicinity.

Malta has had over 600 alerts during the 11 months since Italy entered the war, including over 100 in the past month.—Reuter.

THE CINEMA

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That fascinating reformed cracksman, Michael Lanyard, who took on respectability presumably to comply with the dictates of the Hays' Code which insists that no bad man shall get away with it, is back again at the Grand Theatre in the latest of his many adventures entitled "The Lone Wolf Keeps a Date." The date he keeps is with lovely Frances Robinson, round whose shapely person revolve the picture's many exciting adventures. With romantic Florida as background, Lanyard and his faithful assistant, Jamison, stumble into a maze of mystery and intrigue surrounding the kinapping of a retired millionaire. When he learns that his current flame, Patricia Lawrence is involved in the affair, Lanyard temporarily shelves his hobby of stamp-collecting to get to the bottom of things. Assuming complete charge of the case, including the $100,000 ransom money which Miss Lawrence has been holding, fiction's most elegant gentleman crook promptly steps into a tangled web of mirth and murder. Flouting both crooks and cops alike, he speedily locates the kidnapped Croesus, but is himself captured. With typical Lone Wolf audacity, he succeeds in attracting the police to the scene and in a thrilling climax effects the rescue of the millionaire and the capture of the criminals. Yesterday's audiences, who were presumably Lone Wolf fans, showed evident appreciation of the fare provided.—J.Z.M.

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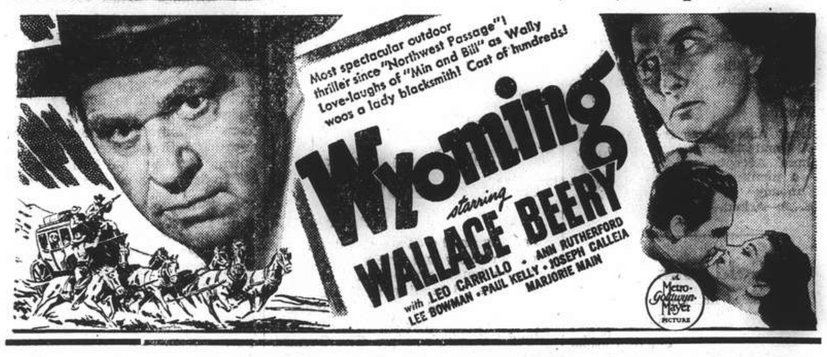

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Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.90½
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.91½

The local exchange market opened with sellers at 3 5/16d. sterling and 5 13/32 U.S.$, but these rates became buyers shortly after the opening. Later in the day the market showed a further easier trend owing to the imminence of the Gold Bar settlement together with a certain amount of merchant demand, and rates eventually declined to buyers at 3 13/32d. sterling and 5⅜ U.S.$. The market, however, remained steady on the basis of 3 9/32d. Sterling and 5 11/32 U.S.$. and at the close was still steady at:—

3 9/32 Sterling 5 11/32 U.S.$. Cash/June

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, May 12.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	81½ N.	London	1/5 13/16
N. Y.	333¼-332¾	2 mths	
Shanghai	19	,, sellers	1/5 13/16
Hongkong	84½	,, buyers	1/6
		,, sellers	83 N.
		,, buyers	77¼ N.

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 1/32
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 3/16
Bel. Congo	176½	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3 5/16d.	,, buying	1/2

New York U.S.$. T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Brazil	5.05
Spain	9.25 N.	Japan	23.45/48*
Paris	2.29	Shanghai	5.56
Italy	5.05 N.	Hongkong	24.55
S'zerland	23.22	Hungary	19.85
,, "free"	23.24	Finland	2.50
Sweden	23.85	Manila	49.80 N.
Montreal	87.125		

London	4.03¼
Buenos Aires Paper	29.78
,, ,, ,, market rate	23.75
Montreal on London	4.62¾

*—Offered N—Nominal.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: May 12.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call money		⅞%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B
	0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0⅝%B
	0⅝%A
Call money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

May 13	Sales 10 a.m.		Prices p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.26		.26	
Antamok	.05	A	.05	A
Baguio Gold	.14	B	.1425	
Batong Buhay	.0075	A	.0075	A
Big Wedge	.265	B	.265	B
Coco Grove	.0625	A	.0625	A
Consolidated Mines	.0015	B	.0016	B
Demonstration	.0525	A	.0525	A
East Mindanao	.075	B	.075	B
I. X. L.	.22	A	.22	A
Ipo Gold	.05	A	.05	A
Itogen	.155	B	.16	B
Mambulao Consolidated	.01	A	.01	A
Masbate Consolidated	.08	B	.08	B
Mine Operations	.055	A	.055	A
Paracale Gumaus	.25	B	.25	B
San Mauricio	.30	A	.30	A
Surigao Consolidated	.17	B	.17	B
Suyoc	.09	A	.09	A
Syndicate Investment	.022	A	.022	A
United Paracale	.145	B	.1475	B
Mindanao Motherlode	.19	B	.20	B
Manila Hai-Alai	7.00	B	7.00	B
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)	3.00		—	

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Stock Exchange Seat

New York, May 13.

Two seats on the New York Stock Exchange have changed hands for 27,000 each, showing a gain of 7,000 on the last sale.—Reuter.

Silver Quotations

	May 12	May 13
London spot	23½d.	Unrecd.
,, forward	23½d.	,,
,, gold	168/-	,,

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market was firmer at the opening yesterday than for some days past. During the day there were slight fluctuations but for the most part price changes were advances. Although the turnover was not heavy, at no time was the market dull. The market closed steady with a firm undertone. The rubber section again failed to attract much attention.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
462.56	105.32	General	278.99	+1.22
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	264.81	+1.80

Total 328.787 shares, 335 bonds.

Morning Session

Yangtsze Finance			500	15.70	1000	*15.70
	500	15.80	1000	15.70	1500	15.50
	2500	15.70	1000	*15.80	500	15.80
	1000	*15.90	500	*15.80		
S'hai Loan			500	18.40	1000	18.50
	1500	*18.50	2500	18.60	500	*18.60
	1500	18.70	4000	18.80	500	*18.80
I. I. Trust			10000	24.25	4500	24.00
	1500	*24.00	500	*24.25	500	24.25
S'hai Securities (X.D.)					1000	5.70
	2000	5.70				
Wheelock			100	91.00	100	90.50
	400	*91.00	300	90.50	1100	90.00
	400	89.50	600	*90.00	700	*89.50
	500	90.00	600	90.50	1000	91.00
	8700	91.50	300	*91.50	500	*91.00
	3100	92.00	100	*92.00	3300	91.50
China Realty					500	9.55
S'hai Land			1000	*12.70	1000	12.80
	1500	12.90				
Dockyards			6200	25.00	3300	25.25
	400	25.00				
Asia Navigation			3500	11.60	7500	11.70
	1000	*11.70				
Ewo Brewery			2000	6.60	500	*6.60
Ewo Mills (Ord)			300	34.75	100	*34.50
	1100	34.50	500	34.75	2700	35.00
	1700	35.25	2200	35.50	200	*35.25
	400	*35.50	100	35.00	1400	35.25
	100	*35.25				
Textile			500	7.00	1000	7.65
Worsted					500	5.05
Tram (Bearer) £1					900	42.00
C. G. Omnibus			300	15.30	100	15.40
Telephone			300	*31.00	700	30.75
	100	*30.75	400	31.00		
S'hai Gas			500	13.00	500	12.90
	100	13.00	300	13.10		
Paper			8500	5.05	500	*5.05
	8500	5.10	1000	5.15	500	5.10
	1000	5.05				
Lumber					100	44.25
Metal			7000	28.75	600	*28.75
	1700	29.00	100	*29.00	800	29.25
	5200	29.00	2900	28.75	1100	*29.25
	3700	29.25	400	*29.00	500	29.00
	500	*29.25				
Kaiping					200	36.00
Exploration			10500	23.25	6500	23.00
	500	*23.25	1000	*23.50	5000	23.25
	5500	23.50	7500	23.25	500	*23.25
Anglo Dutch			100	18.50	100	18.60
	400	18.80	400	18.70	200	*18.80
Anglo Java			800	36.50	300	36.25
	3300	36.50	4400	36.75	100	*36.75
Batu Anam					1000	*1.30
Kroewoek			13000	2.20	3000	2.25
Langkat			1100	25.50	100	*25.50
	1200	25.75	300	*25.75	1400	25.50
	2900	25.75				
Rubber Trust					500	9.70
Ziangbe			200	21.50	200	22.00
	600	22.25				
Asia Realty Tael 6%					2500	*50.00
Telephone 6% Debs.					8000	98.00
Cathay Land 6% Tael 1930					1000	†*84.00

ODD LOTS

Worsted	15	*4.95	100	5.10
S'hai Gas			68	13.10
Tram (Bearer) £1			20	41.50
Textile			100	7.50
Exploration			300	22.75
Asia Navigation	200	11.50	100	11.70
350 11.60				
Tram (Bearer) £1			30	41.75

Afternoon Session

China Finance					2000	1.02
S.W.W. "A" £20					40	900.00
Yangtsze Finance			500	15.90	1000	16.00
	500	16.10				
S'hai Loan			1000	*18.90	500	18.80
	1500	18.90	2500	19.00		
I. I. Trust			1000	24.25	1500	*24.25
	500	*24.50				
S'hai Securities (X.D.)					500	5.65
China Realty					1000	9.55
S'hai Land					500	12.90
Dockyards			500	25.25	100	*25.25
	500	25.50	100	*25.50	100	25.25
	2900	25.50	500	*25.50		
Asia Navigation			500	11.70	500	11.80
	2500	11.90	1000	*12.00	3000	12.00
Ewo Brewery					5000	6.60
Wheelock			700	91.50	100	*92.00
	1400	92.00	1700	92.50	400	*93.00
	200	92.50	200	*92.50	400	92.00
	2600	92.50				
Ewo Mills (Ord)			200	35.25	5000	35.50
	1700	35.75				
Central Prop					400	18.50
Worsted			1000	5.10	2000	5.05
	500	5.15				
Tram (Bearer) £1					200	42.00
Telephone					400	31.00
S'hai Gas					300	13.10
Paper			2500	5.10	8000	5.15
	500	*5.10	500	*5.15	2500	5.15
Lumber			100	44.50	300	45.00
Metal			3800	29.25	100	29.50
	400	*29.25	1900	29.25	400	29.50
	100	29.25	100	*29.50		
Kaiping					100	37.00
Exploration			1500	23.50	500	*23.75
	1000	23.75	5500	23.50	2000	*23.25
	3000	23.50				
Power (Pref)					100	132.00
Anglo Dutch			200	18.90	200	18.80
	300	*18.90	100	18.90		
Anglo Java			200	36.75	1700	37.00
Batu Anam					2000	1.30
Kroewoek					1000	2.25
Langkat			100	25.75	3000	26.00
Rubber Trust					1000	9.30
Samagaga					2000	1.60
Kelantan					1000	0.75
Tebong					1000	1.34
Ziangbe					300	22.25
Telephoe 6% Debs					22000	98.00
S. W. W. 6½% (Pref)					200	13.70

ODD LOTS

Exploration	100	29.25
Dockyards	34	25.75
Yangtsze Finance	100	15.80
S. W. W. "B"	50	40.00
Culty Dairy	20	35.00

*—Direct Business.

N. Y. Stock Exchange Trading Irregular

New York, May 12.

Trading on the Stock Exchange was irregular today and prices were lower, however bonds were firm and there was increased trading in them. Commodities declined in most instances.

The market reacted to failure to extend Saturday's gains. The German air drive against Britain and the unfavourable weakness of commodities—which was ascribed to Secretary or Agriculture Claude R. Wickard's request that the Exchange curb speculation—were believed responsible for the failure of the market to extend Saturday's gains.

Market men, however, were pleased with showings made last week and many anticipated extension of recovery before further tests of market strength develop.

Wall Street still was exercising selection and certain groups of individual stocks were favoured. Rails, oils, and some rail equipments were mentioned as possibilities for improvement.

The recent strength of coppers was said to reflect the tightening domestic supply situation. Oil was a big topic of discussion, both as a market: possibility and also as a potential threat to continuation of German dominance in Europe.

The American Petroleum Institute quoted the London "Petroleum Press Service" as saying there was little hope that immediate shortage of petroleum supplies would cause collapse of war efforts but that there was hope of checking the flow of oil in Germany by bombing refineries and synthetic plants. While German civilian supplies have been cut there still are supplies adequate for prosecution of the war, said the report.—United Press

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 12.

Quietly easier conditions prevailed on Wall Street today, with stock prices mainly closing fractionally lower from Saturday.

The decline witnessed today was generally caused by profit taking on Saturday's bulge, due to a revival of war nerves and the intensified bombings of England.

However, there was no evidence of real weakness, but only of greater caution.

The volume of business done totalled 400,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	117.83	116.85	117.14	—0.40
20 Rails	29.27	28.83	28.83	—0.43
15 Utilit.	17.56	17.36	17.46	+0.05
40 Bonds	—	—	91.99	—0.06
11 Commod.	—	—	67.49	—0.62

	May 10	12		May 10	12
Adams Exp	5¾	5¾	Int T & T	*2½	2½
Alg Lud	22⅜	22⅜	Johns Man	59	58⅛
Allis Chal	27	27	Kennecott	35	34⅛
Amer Can	79	79	Libbey O F	31⅜	31⅜
Am Cyan B	36	36½	Lockheed	23⅛	22⅞
Am For Pr	*0⅞	0⅞	Loew's	29⅝	29⅛
,, $7 pfd	18⅜	18⅜	Martin	28⅛	28⅞
Am Loco	12⅜	12½	Mont Ward	32⅛	32⅛
Am Metal	*17	17	Nat Avian	*7½	*7¼
Am Radtr	6⅛	6⅛	Nat City B	*25¼	*25¼
Am R Mill	14⅜	14½	Nat Dairy	13	12⅜
Am Smelt	39⅛	38⅞	Nat Dist	18⅛	18⅞
Am Sugar	*16	15⅛	Nat P & L	6⅛	6⅛
Am T & T	150½	150⅛	Nat Sup	6⅛	5⅞
Am Tob B	66⅜	66⅛	N Y Cent	13⅛	13⅞
Am Wtwrks	4¼	4¼	Niag Hud	2⅛	2⅛
Anaconda	26	25⅞	N A Avian	13⅛	13⅛
Atchison	30⅝	30	N A Co	12⅛	13
Avian Corp	2¾	2⅝	N Pacific	7⅛	7⅛
Bald Loco	14	14	Packard	2⅜	2⅜
Balt & O	4¼	4	Paramount	11⅜	11⅜
Barns Oil	9⅞	9⅝	Penn R R	25	24⅛
Bendix	35	34⅞	Phil Pet	41⅜	41⅛
Beth Steel	71¼	71⅝	Pullman	25⅛	25⅛
Bliss	15¼	15¼	Pure Oil	9⅞	9⅞
Boeing	14	13⅞	Radio	3⅛	3⅞
Borg War	16⅞	17¼	Reading	15⅛	15⅜
Briggs	19⅞	19⅞	Rem Arms	*4⅜	*4⅜
Budd Mfg	4	4	Rep Avian	3⅜	3⅜
Can Pac	3⅜	3⅜	Rep St	18⅛	18
Celanese	*21	21¼	Rey Tob B	29	29
Chase N B	*29¼	*29¼	Schenley	9⅛	9⅛
Ches & O	37¼	36⅞	Shell U Oil	14⅜	14⅛
Chrysler	58⅛	58⅛	Soc Vac	9⅜	9⅞
Col G & E	2⅞	2⅞	Sthrn Pac	12⅞	12⅛
Col Credit	24	23¼	Sthrn Rly	25⅛	25⅛
Com & Sth	0⅝	0⅝	Spicer	29⅞	*29⅛
Cons Edis	18⅞	18⅛	Std Brands	5⅛	5⅛
Cons Oil	6	6⅛	Std G & E	*0⅛	0⅛
Copld St	14⅜	14⅜	Std Oil N J	36⅛	36⅛
Curtis Wr	8⅛	8⅜	Studebaker	5⅛	5
Douglas	68	68⅛	Swift Int	18⅞	18⅝
Du Pont	141	139¼	Technicor	*7⅞	8
E P Lead	8	*7¼	Texas	38⅞	39⅛
Elec A Lite	27¼	27	Transamer	4⅜	4⅜
Elec B & S	2¼	2¼	Tw Cent	*5⅛	5⅜
,, $5 pfd	*57	*57¼	Un B & P	11	*10⅞
,, $6 pfd	62¼	61⅝	Un Pac	81⅛	*81⅝
Elev P & L	*33¼	34¼	Un Air	39⅜	39⅛
Flintkote	12⅜	12¼	Un A Lines	9⅜	10
Gen Elec	29	29	Un Corp	0⅛	0⅝
Gen Motor	40	39⅝	,, $3 pfd	21⅛	21⅛
Gen Rly	13	13	Un G Imp	6⅝	6⅞
Gen T & R	*10¼	*10¼	U S Rub	23⅛	22⅞
Goodrich	12⅜	10¼	U S Steel	54⅞	54⅛
Goodyear	17⅞	17⅞	Vanadium	24⅛	24⅛
Gt N I Ore	14	14	Vultee	†5⅛	*5⅛
Gt N Rly	27	26¼	Walworth	4⅛	4⅛
Gt W Sug	23	23	War Br. Pcts	3⅛	3⅛
Int Nickel	25¼	25	West Elec	89⅛	†87⅛
Int Paper	14¼	13⅞	Woodward	*27	27⅝

BONDS

Am For Pr	57⅛	57	Erie	24⅜	24⅝
Aust Com	58⅜	58⅛	Int T & T	48⅛	48⅜
Brazil	19⅞	19⅞	New Eng	62	62⅛
,,	16⅛	16⅜	Sthrn Pac	55⅜	55⅛
Cit Serv	98⅛	98⅜	St G & E	88	87⅞

*—Bid. †—Ex. Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices declined irregularly today on somewhat greater turnover. The reaction followed the failure of the list to extend Saturday's gains. Traders were also bearish on reports of the German air attacks on England, combined with the tenser Far Eastern situation. Business news was generally disregarded, pending the settlement of the convoy and tax issues. First quarter net earnings of Anaconda Copper were placed at $1.34 per share, compared with $1.25 per share for the previous quarter.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 12.

The cotton market opened barely steady today, with quotations ruling from unchanged to 9 points down on commission house liquidation and Southern hedge-selling, influenced by the proposals of Mr. Claude Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, for curbing commodity speculation, as well as by conflicting reports on the parity loans. Later, the market rallied on trade buying and covering, an estimate of record breaking April consumption and price fixing. Finally, active hedging was noted, with prices closing barely steady, ranging from 10 to 13 points down from Saturday's final levels.

Fairly active and steady conditions prevailed in the market for raw rubber futures, with prices moving moderately higher on trade selling being well absorbed and factory demand, coupled with a revival of fears of possible interference with shipments from the Far East. At the last callover, gains from 10 to 15 points were recorded.

Chicago wheat prices drifted down on persistent profit taking induced by reports that Administration officials were considering more effective control on speculative activity and confusing reports regarding the parity loans. Commercial interests, however, supported the market on the scale-down. At the final bell, losses from 2½ to 2⅝ cents were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	12.29 N. —10	July	24.60-60 +15
July	12.30-30 —12	Sept	24.05-05 +10
Oct.	12.46-47 —10	Dec.	23.75-75 +10
Dec.	12.51-51 —13	Mar.	23.40 N. +10
Jan.	12.49 N. —12		
Mar.	12.51-52 —13		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
July	2.49-50 —1 B/A	July	0.83-83½ —1 B/A
Sept.	2.52-53 —1 B/A	Sept.	0.90-90½ —½ B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
July	93⅝-93¾ —2⅝	July	72-71⅞ —⅞
Sept.	94⅛-94¼ —2½	Sept.	72½-72⅜ —1⅛

New York Silk No. 1

July 2.84½B-85½A —2½

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, May 12.

Prices in the London tin market today ruled quiet on routine trading.

London Rubber: There were no prices quoted today, but dealings will be resumed tomorrow.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, middle price £270⅝ +1⅞; 3 mths. middle price £267⅜ unc.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn, 20's D.H. per bale	$1,452
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	233
Shanghai cotton .. per picul	215
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%	$6,150 nom.
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	$29.00
Flour, imported per bag (49lb.)	31.00

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, May 12.

Business on the London Stock Exchange today was quiet, but values were generally maintained.

British gilt-edged securities ruled mainly steady, while movements in industrials and home rails were small or unchanged.

Rubber issues continued to be strong, due to a shortage of stock, while oils ruled quiet, with Anglo-Iranians slightly easier.

Among foreign loans, Iraq 4½ per cent. bonds were quoted at 84½, compared with 83 on Friday.—Reuter.

	May 9	12
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£103⅞	103 13/16
3% Defence Loan	101¾	101¾
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	39	39
4½% Anglo-French Loan	40	40
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	20½	20½
5% Reorg Loan, 1913	28½	28½
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	7—9	7—9
5% Honan Rly., 1905	12	12
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	13	13
5% ,, ,, ,, (Ger. Is.)	11	11
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	9	9
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	14	14
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	10	10
5% ,, ,, G.	10	10
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) B.	10	10
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) G.	10	10
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	9	9
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	48	48
JAPANESE BONDS		
3% Sterling Loan, 1907	19½	19
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	22	22
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8¾	8¾
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	71½	71½
,, ,, (Col. Reg.)	76½ N	76½ N
Mercantile Bank of India	11¼	11¼
National Bank of India	30½	30½
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	22	22
COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/-	9/10½
British American Tobacco	87/6	87/6
Dunlop Rubber	34/-	33/9
Imp. Chem. Industries	30/6	30/6
United Steel	22/3	22/3
Woolworths	47/9	47/-
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	12/6	12/6
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	6/3	6/3
Pekin-Syndicate	1/-	1/-
Sub-Nigel	142/6	142/6
Western Holdings	10/6	10/6
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	33¾	33¾
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/-	15/-
London, Midland & Scot.	12⅝	12⅝
S'hai Elec. Construction	16/-	16/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Shell Transport & Trad.	40/7½	40/7½

London Bullion

London, May 12.

London Gold: Bar, Fine, per oz. 168/- unchanged.

London Silver: Conditions were idle but steady. After the official fixing the market ruled steady but featureless.

Spot .... 23½d. unch.
Forward .... 23½d. unch.

—Reuter.

Argentina Wants No Oppressive Regime

Clamouring for Neutrality Denounced by Dr. Alvear

Buenos Aires, May 13.

"We want no new regimes which are against liberty, human dignity and Christ," declared Dr. B. E. Alvear, former President of the Argentine Republic and leader of the Liberal Party, addressing the Radical Party convention on the occasion of celebrations of the 137th anniversary of the Argentine Assembly's adoption of the song "Liberty," as the national anthem.

Denouncing Argentinians "who now clamour for neutrality," Dr. Alvear said they were the same people who some time ago thought they could make trouble over the Falkland Islands, but that question had never ruffled Anglo-Argentine relations and some day would be settled in the most friendly way, he added.—Reuter.

Hellenic National Committees Formed

Greeks Abroad Organizing To Continue Struggle

Cairo, May 13.

An overseas Hellenic national committee has been officially created in Egypt under the central government of Crete. Similar committees will be formed very shortly in North and South America, South Africa and Australia where large Greek communities are anxious to carry on the struggle.

With the arrival of American war material in the Middle East the existing "Hellenic column of the Middle East," which was formed on the morrow of the outbreak of the Italo-Greek hostilities, will be expanded rapidly and strongly officered by graduates of a famous Athens college.—Reuter.

Franco Shuffles His Generals

Administrative Changes Announced in Madrid

Madrid, May 13.

Following his recent far-reaching administrative changes, Gen. Francisco Franco yesterday issued a number of decrees making changes in high Army posts. These include the appointment of Gen. Ascencio Cabanillas, hitherto High Commissioner to Spanish Morocco, to be Chief of the Army Staff.

A new commander-in-chief of the Balearic Islands also is appointed, Gen. Gonzalez replacing Gen. Kindelen, who takes command of the Fourth Region of Spain. Gen. Miguel Ponte, hitherto General Commanding the Army in Morocco, is made Captain-General of the Second Region.—Reuter.

Faster Handling of British Ships

London, May 13.

Plans are being prepared to speed up still further the loading and unloading of ships in Liverpool, Manchester and other ports. Methods are already in operation by which dockers are guaranteed a regular wage and steady work instead of the former system of casual labour. By this means delays in work are decreased. Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, is entering into discussions to apply the scheme.—Reuter.

Replica of House Will be Used

Westminster Abbey, Hit in Raid, Can Be Repaired Although Badly Damaged

London, May 13.

Extensive damage done to the House of Commons will make necessary the use of a replica of that chamber which has existed elsewhere for some time past and which actually has been used on a number of occasions for full meetings of Commons.

The reserve chamber is smaller than the original Commons. The Speaker's chair, green benches and gangways familiar to the visitors to the old Commons are reproduced in form though the familiar green leather is replaced by green cloth. The press sits at the opposite end of the chamber from that to which it is accustomed, sharing available space with the diplomats who formerly had their own very exclusive gallery.

It is not therefore in any hasty or improvized fashion that the destruction of the old Commons will be met. Another site is ready complete in every detail and well tested in debates which have taken place there. There is in existence a similar reproduction of the House of Lords which has also met already in its new surroundings.

Abbey Can Be Repaired

Surrounded by ruins, Westminister Abbey today stands structurally intact. An examination shows that the roof is not irretrievably damaged and the organ, one of the finest in the country, is undamaged.

Four of the ancients stone arches of the Little Cloister have been damaged by fire. Abbey music, the library and priceless parchments and also the famous coronation stone had been removed some time ago to places of safety.

Yesterday, when workmen were busy putting a temporary cover over a hole in the roof, was the anniversary of the coronation. Where the king and queen sat in their coronation robes beneath a lantern—which is now open to the sky—is a heap of rubble and broken wood. The seats, which were then occupied by peers, peeresses and high officers of state in their colourful robes and uniforms, were thick with the dust which has covered everything.

The scene yesterday was indeed a stark contrast with that day four years ago.—Reuter.

U.S. Army Air Corps Ready for Battle

4-Engined Bombers Used Over Germany

Washington, May 13.

Major-General H. H. Arnold, Chief of the United States Army Air Corps, yesterday said that the Air Corps is preparing to fight.

Addressing the Women's National Democratic Club, Gen. Arnold said that "today the Air Corps rapidly is preparing for trial by battle. Tomorrow it will be better prepared and a year hence will be even better prepared."

American four-engine bombers, he said, already "have won their spurs in accomplishing the most difficult missions over Germany."

Britain and the United States both face "critical conditions" the outcomes of which are most difficult to predict, Gen. Arnold said "but regardless of what the Army may be called upon to do we must have an air force second to none."—United Press.

Mr. Roosevelt Postpones Important Address

Fireside Chat Arranged For May 27

Washington, May 13.

President Roosevelt has postponed his scheduled Wednesday address and instead will deliver a fireside chat on May 27, it was announced here yesterday.

The President had been scheduled to address the Pan-American Union.

He thus postponed for a fortnight what was expected to be a momentous declaration of policy concerning increased United States naval aid to Britain.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, said that the broadcast probably would be delivered over world wide transmissions.—United Press.

Ship Requisitioning in U.S. Approved

Washington, May 13.

The Senate Commerce Committee yesterday by an 11 to 4 vote approved the House of Representatives' bill authorizing U.S. requisitioning of idle foreign shipping in American ports. The committee also defeated an attempt to forbid transfer of such ships to belligerent Powers.—United Press.

Emir of Trans-Jordania Denies Being Shot

Cairo, May 13.

Emir Abdullah of Trans-Jordania has personally denied the "pernicious rumours" that he was shot by his son during a quarrel over Iraq. The Emir is in excellent health. The rumours are ascribed in Trans-Jordan circles to hostile propagandists.—Reuter.

De Gaulle Attends Joan Of Arc Service

London, May 13.

Gen. de Gaulle, head of the free French, attended a Joan of Arc memorial service at Brazzaville yesterday, where he also reviewed troops and conferred decorations, states the Brazzaville radio.—Reuter.

Von Papen Returns To Ankara

Vichy, May 13.

Herr Franz von Papen, German Ambassador to Turkey, arrived in Ankara yesterday evening, says an Ankara telegraph.—Reuter.

U.S. Constructing 800 New Ships

New York, May 13.

Eighty per cent of the total tonnage so far lost by the Allies, according to Admiralty figures, is at present under contract or construction in United States shipyards, according to figures issued by the American Bureau of Shipping. The figures are 800 ships totalling 5,055,400 tons on May 1.—Reuter.

Decorations Won By British Fliers

Gallant Attack on Convoy Officially Recognized

London, May 13.

A gallant and successful attack on a large strongly-escorted enemy convoy last month has gained a bar to the D.F.C. for Acting Lieutenant V. E. Atkinson. Despite intense anti-aircraft fire from escorting vessels he delivered the attack on the largest merchant vessel, scoring two direct hits on the stern. The formation he was leading completed decisive action in which three or four ships were set on fire, one left sinking.

Lieut. Atkinson served as bombardier in the Canadian artillery militia from 1930 to 1932.

A bar to the D.F.M. goes to Sergeant C. F. Rawnsley, who as a wireless operator has assisted his pilot in the destruction of at least seven enemy aircraft.—British Official Wireless.

Norwegians Resent Nazi Reprisals

Amazing Demonstration of Sympathy with Britain

London, May 13.

Lofoten fishermen have threatened to destroy their nets and cease fishing altogether if any more of their houses are destroyed by the Germans who are burning them as reprisals for the British raid, it is learned in London.

An amazing demonstration of Norwegian solidarity with Britain occurred at a recent funeral of three British airmen shot down during a raid. Although a lonely island was chosen for the burial and the date and place were kept secret the news leaked out and was passed on by word of mouth.

When the cortege arrived at the tiny island the Germans were astonished to find hundreds of people who had come in scores of small boats were lining the graveside, according to a message to the Norwegian Telegraph Agency.—Reuter.

Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin May Meet

Vichy, May 12.

Diplomatic circles reported today that Chancellor Adolf Hitler, M. Josef Stalin and Premier Benito Mussolini will be meeting soon to discuss the possible reorganization of a European economic and military bloc.—Domei.

U.S. Launches Submarine

Portsmouth, N.H., May 13.

The new U.S. submarine Drum was launched at the Navy yard here yesterday.—United Press.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

SENHOR Frederico de Castello-Branco Clark, Brazilian Ambassador to Japan, arrived at Shanghai on business on Monday in the ss. Nitta Maru, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

IN the series "War Efforts of the British Commonwealth of Nations," Mr. V. G. Bowden, C.B.E., Australian Trade Commissioner will speak over XCDN tomorrow at 9.20 p.m. on "Australia's War Effort."

THE Japanese Naval Landing Party held manœuvres between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. yesterday. These were carried out east of the Sawgin Road creek and in the vicinity of Yochow Road. Blank ammunition was used.

LIEUT.-GENERAL Genshichi Oikawa, Acting Secretary-General of the Asia Development Board and former Director of its Central China Liaison Office, arrived in Shanghai on Monday by plane from Tokyo, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

THE American Workroom announces that its dinner and dance on Saturday night, will be held at the Columbia Country Club instead of at the Chase Bank Club. Dinner will be served between 8.30 and 9.30. The function is for the benefit of the British Red Cross.

MR. Shinsuke Kishi, former Vice-Minister of Commerce and Industry, who has completed his inspection tour of the economic conditions in Shanghai, Nanking and Hankow, left Shanghai for North China by plane yesterday, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

FIVE persons sustained injuries when they were hit by a motor car at the corner of North Chekiang and Elgin Roads at 10.27 a.m. yesterday. An emergency ambulance was called out and the victims were taken to the S.R.R.A. None of them was injured seriously.

THE American community is holding a reception this evening in the Columbia Country Club in honour of Mr. C. E. Gauss, U.S. Ambassador to China, who is arriving in the ss. President Garfield and leaving tomorrow in the same ship for Hongkong and Chungking.

MR. Torao Kawasaki, first interpreter to the Japanese Embassy in Peiping, arrived in Shanghai on Monday in the ss. Tsingtao Maru to assume the post in the Japanese Consulate-General here vacated by Mr. Kaoru Hayashi, Consul, who has been transferred to the Foreign Office in Tokyo, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

Two workers of the Sun Tuck Shing Welding Works at 63 Avenue Haig were injured at about 10 a.m. yesterday when an acetylene gas tank exploded on the premises. The explosion also caused part of the tiled roof to be damaged. The victims, one of whom was seriously hurt, were taken to the Red Cross Hospital in an S.F.B. ambulance.

THE annual spring social of the American University Club this year will be in the form of a dinner dance to be held at the American Club tomorrow at 8 p.m. in honour of Dr. and Mrs. Hawks Potts and Mr. A. Bassett who are leaving China for the United States in the near future. There will be good music and a well planned programme.

CHEAP rice is now being sold to the poor in Hongkong under the auspices of the authorities, as from May 10, says a belated message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The poor are allowed to buy Hk$2.00 worth of rice per day, the report states. The Salvation Army is in charge of the sale at Hongkong, while the Chinese Y.M.C.A. is taking charge of the sale at Kowloon, the report states.

THE costume, complete with headdress and jewelled, worn by Queen Elizabeth in the A.D.C. production of "Merrie England" will be auctioned at the Ministering Children's League Fun Fair to be held at the Race Club on May 31. The costume has been presented to the League by Mrs. Weight and will be modelled by Mrs. Jean Wheeler who played the part of Elizabeth in the production.

THE health report of the French Municipality for the week ending May 10, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession was—Foreigners 5 and Chinese 208. Deaths from notifiable diseases were — Foreigners, tuberculosis one and Chinese, tuberculosis 31; typhoid and paratyphoid fevers 11; recurring fever 6; pneumonia 6; dysentery 2; measles 2 and diphteria, beri-beri one each.

SIR Victor Sassoon, Bart., has added yet another kindly action to the long list of good deeds he has already done. He has now made it possible for the I.C. to provide extra food for 750 refugee children who are naturally in great need of nourishment. The food supplied to the Refugee Camp is insufficient for growing children, and Sir Victor's forethought in assisting in this most important section—the children—of refugee work is greatly appreciated.

HUNDREDS of people are dying daily in Foochow, because of a serious food shortage, says a Shuikou message to the "Sin Wan Pao." Prices of daily necessaries have sky-rocketed. Rice is being sold at $7.50 per catty, and even at this price it can hardly be obtained. The Japanese military authorities have ransacked all available foodstuffs in Foochow, since they captured the city several weeks ago. Skirmishes are taking place daily on the outskirts of Foochow, the report states.

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **Tientsin Maru** of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya, plying between Shanghai, Tsingtao and Dairen, is expected in port tomorrow afternoon. She will berth at the company's Whangpoo Wharf. The steamer will sail on her return voyage to the northern ports at 3 p.m. on Friday.

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The ss. **Tsingtao Maru** of the D.K.K., operating on the Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen run, will leave Shanghai for northern ports at 9 a.m. today. Passengers are requested to embark at least half an hour before sailing time. She is at the company's Whangpoo Wharf.

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The round-the-world liner, ss. **President Garfield** of the American President Lines will arrive from New York via Havana, Cristobal, Balboa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Honolulu and Kobe on her maiden voyage today, berthing at buoys 12 and 13. Passengers will disembark by tender and will arrive at the Customs Jetty at 9.15 a.m. The steamer will sail for New York and Boston, via Hongkong, Manila, Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Cape Town and Trinidad tomorrow, the last tender leaving the Customs Jetty at 10.15 a.m.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive today are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From NEW YORK & PACIFIC PORTS: Pres. Garfield, with mail due 8.30 a.m., Buoys 12-13. Passengers expected at the Customs Jetty about 9.15 a.m.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

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K'kura M 14/4 26/5
Yawata M 28/4 2/6
P Coolidge — 3/6
Asama M 12/5 23/6

From Seattle
C'sworth 25/4 17/5
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From Honolulu
K'kura M 22/4 26/5
Yawata M 7/5 2/6

From Manila
P Taft 13/5 20/5
Nitta M 17/5 22/5

From Yokohama
Husimi M — 23/5

From Kobe
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For Los Angeles
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Collingsworth 20/5
P Cleveland 26/5
Kamakura M 27/5
P Monroe 29/5
West Cuseta 3/6
P Coolidge 4/6

For Hongkong
P Garfield 15/5
Collingsworth 20/5
P Cleveland 26/5
P Monroe 29/5
West Cuseta 3/6
P Coolidge 4/6

For Kobe and Yokohama
P Taft 21/5
P Cleveland 8/6
P Coolidge 20/6

For Nagasaki
Shanghai M 14/5
Nagasaki M 16/5

For Dairen
Tsingtao M 14/5
Tientsin M 16/5
Hoten M 20/5
Tsingtao M 23/5

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Lima M.	Hongkong	N.Y.K.
Anwoo	C'hwakong	Chung Hua
Chenyuan	C'wangtao	Showa S.
Antai	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Anshing	Keelung	T.K.K.
Kasuga M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Shanghai M.	Japan	T.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Taityu M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Keizan M.	Jap.	Y.K.K.
Tsengyuan	Chi.	Showa S.
Meiyo	Am.	S.V.O.C.
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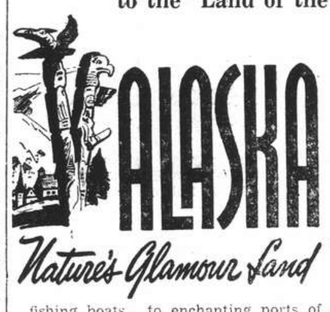

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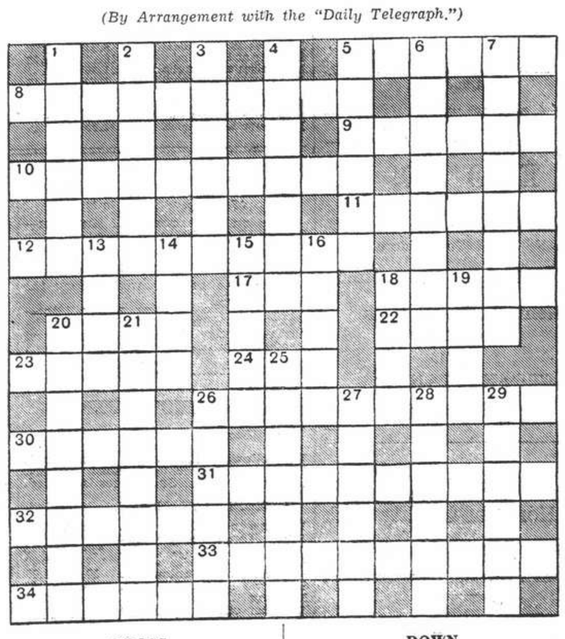

ACROSS

5 He would get a kick out of kicking one (6)
8 A blooming exhibition (two words—6, 4)
9 Use my pole another way (6)
10 One goes here for divers reasons (two words—5, 5)
11 He is always on the brink apparently (6)
12 Easter tale for landed property (two words—4, 6)
17 Shade (3)
18 One came out to make it (5)
20 Just the sort of jolly occasion to get your tootsies tangled (4)
22 This pear means to come again (4)
23 Punch contributor (5)
24 Part of 7 down (3)
26 We emit curs for dulcet strains (two words—5, 5)
30 To tack and to thrash (two words—4, 2)
31 Hardly penetrable (10)
32 Drawing that might be signed (6)
33 What overtime means to the worker (two words—5, 5)
34 Not a big insult (6)

DOWN

1 The gambler's effort to be in the swim (6)
2 Peddling? (6)
3 Lots of people, many in birds (6)
4 Just the place for a talk on one of the exotic waters (7)
5 Effort by a bowler who wouldn't give the opponents a break? (6)
6 Well turned out alien? (8)
7 Amassed from port dues (two words—6, 2)
13 Kind of top (4)
14 Put a suitable tail on a sheep and it goes to pot (4)
15 An end to wrestling (5)
16 A skinny home (5)
18 It can't endure the stick in silence (4)
19 Fish that becomes foolish when it loses its head (4)
20 To do so is being wise before the event (8)
21 The golfer's wooden peg is a painful thing, by gum! (8)
25 A rest (7)
26 The top of this device for producing airs is made to go round (6)
27 Headgear (6)
28 We can call in it together (6)
29 Accustomed (6)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS**: 1, Flying buttress; 9, Apricot; 10, Tension; 11, Hemp; 12, Rajah; 14, Arno; 16, Yon; 18, Ransom; 20, Puppet; 21, Bouquet; 22, Riddle; 24, Geisha; 26, Hip; 28, Isis; 29, Value; 30, Wont; 33, Express; 34, One club; 35, Cross reference. **DOWN**: 1, Feather-brained; 2, Yard-man; 3, Nick; 4, Betray; 5, Titian; 6, Rank; 7, Stirrup; 8, Incontractable; 13, Jonquil; 15, Noble; 17, Muted; 19, Moe; 20, Peg; 23, Dnieper; 25, Swollen; 26, Hawser; 27, Put off; 31, Bees; 32, Peer.

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TO-DAY'S WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Fine weather with moderate north-westerly to north-easterly winds around Shantung. Cloudy with morning fog and easterly breezes over our regions: with mist or rain and rather fresh northerly to easterly winds along the coast to the south of the Saddles.

	At Cathedral	At Siccawei
Temperature yesterday	min. 52.0 max. 70.0	min. 50.7 max. 72.9
„ same date last year	min. 60.0 max. 79.0	min. 58.3 max. 82.2

Rainfall: .25

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS

SHANGHAI, WEDNESDAY, MAY, 14, 1941 (19th day of 4th moon)

AIR AND OCEAN MAILS

Pan American Airways Service per steamer on May 16, 11.30 a.m. registered and 12.30 p.m. ordinary due San Francisco on May 27. Air mails for Europe may be sent by this service to U.S.A. for connection with the P.A.A. Trans-Atlantic Air Service.

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Dairen and Japan Air Mail close daily at 8 p.m.

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LEGAL AND OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTH

LEAN—On May 9, 1941, at Nanking, to Heather (née Stewart) wife of D. G. Lean, a daughter, JANET MARGARET. 12644

TO-DAY'S EVENTS

MAY

14 Reception to Ambassador C. E. Gauss, for the American Community, Columbia Country Club, 6-7
14 Harbin Y.M.C.A. High School Alumni Assn. Mtg. For. Y.M.C.A. 8.30
14 'The Trumpeter XMHD, 8.30
14 XCDN Calling-2nd Ed. Lyceum 9.15
14 Old May Day
14 Rotterdam bombed (1940)
14 Dutch Government moved to London (1940)

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NOTICE OF DIVIDEND TO HOLDERS OF SHARE WARRANTS TO BEARER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Dividend at the rate of 2 per cent in respect of the year ended December 31, 1940, has been declared on the issued share capital of the Company and will be payable on and after April 30, 1941, against presentation of Coupon No. 58, at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Shanghai, by Sterling warrant drawn on the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Shanghai, or in local currency at the said Bank's buying rate for demand drafts on London on the day of presentation of the Coupons.

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By Order of the Board,

A. POLLOCK.
Secretary.

Shanghai, April 29, 1941. 12646

ESTATE OF
EDWARD ERNEST PARSONS,
Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Trustee Act, 1925, that all persons having any claims against the Estate of Edward Ernest Parsons deceased, late of Shanghai, China, who died there on March 29, 1941, should give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned, Legal Practitioner for Edith Elizabeth Parsons, the sole Executrix named in the Will of the said deceased and to whom Probate was granted by His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court for China at Shanghai on May 5, 1941, on or before July 20 next, after which date the said Edith Elizabeth Parsons will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to claims and demands of which the undersigned shall have notice, and will not be answerable for the assets so distributed or any part thereof to any person of whose claim or demand the undersigned shall not then have had notice.

JOHN McNEILL,
Legal Practitioner for Edith Elizabeth Parsons, Executrix of the Estate of the above-named deceased,

2 Peking Road.

Shanghai, May 14, 1941. 12645

THE SHANGHAI CRICKET CLUB.

Members are reminded of the annual general meeting in the pavilion on Friday, May 16, 1941 at 5.30 p.m.

R. G. SOUTHERTON,
Hon. Secretary.

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Shanghai Underwear Shops beg to announce jointly that in view of the constant increase in costs of silk materials and labour, an increase of 40% for Silk Underwear, Silk embroidered Goods, etc., became effective as from May 1, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-first Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Wednesday, May 14, 1941 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1940, declaring a Final dividend, electing a Director and Auditors and transacting any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from May 1 to May 14, 1941, both days inclusive.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that at the same time and on the same day at 11.30 a.m. or so soon afterwards as the Ordinary General Meeting shall be concluded an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following Resolutions as Special Resolutions namely:—

"That the Articles of Associati be altered in manner following, that is to say:

(a) In Article (1) the words "Special Resolution" and "Extraordinary Resolution" have the meanings assigned thereto respectively by the Companies Ordinances (Hongkong) 1865 (Sections 92 and 166), shall be cancelled and the following words shall be substituted therefor: "Extraordinary Resolution and Special Resolution have the meanings assigned thereto respectively by the Ordinances of Hongkong for the time being in force".

(b) In Article (11) the words "such fee as the Board may from time to time determine" be substituted for the words "the sum of one Tael or such smaller sum as the Directors may determine".

(c) The following Article shall be substituted for Article 33

"(33) A Fee of such amount as the Board may from time to time determine may be charged for each transfer, and shall, if required by the Board, be paid before the registration thereof. A similar Fee may be charged on the registration of any other document".

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

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Meteorological Reports	May 12 16.00	May 12 21.00	May 13 4.00	May 13 9.00
Barometer (inches)	29.98	30.03	30.07	30.11
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.02	—0.01	+0.07	+0.10
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	—0.02	+0.02	+0.09	+0.08
Wind (direction)	NE	NNW	N	NNW
„ (miles per hour)	13.7	2.9	5.6	6.8
Temperature (Fahr.)	53.4°	52.3°	53.4°	57.9°
Humidity (per cent)	99	99	83	85
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall (inches)	0.48	0.31	0.05	0.01

Siccawei Abridged Report May 11	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.00	—0.02	29.88
Temperature: min. — max. —	—	—	64.6°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	16.43	1.18	12 59

Time and Tide	14/5	15/5	16/5	17/5	18/5	19/5	20/5
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.01	5.00	4.59	4.58	4.57	4.56	4.55
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.41	18.42	18.43	18.44	18.44	18.45	18.46
Moon rises at Shanghai	21.55	22.47	23.34	—	0.15	0.55	1.28
Moon sets at Shanghai	7.49	8.49	9.49	10.48	11.45	12.41	13.34
Flood makes Shai. (day)	12.38	13.19	14.13	15.12	16.25	17.52	5.55
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	17.15	18.05	6.35	7.29	8.11	9.54	11.21
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	13.59	14.52	15.50	16.55	18.15	6.55	8.14
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	11.15	10.40	10.27	9.60	8.90	8.72	8.67

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 12th:—High and steady pressure over China and Japan. Depression crossing Kiangsi east-north-eastward. Fine weather in North China. Showery in our Valley. Northerly to easterly winds along the China Coast.

State on the morning of the 13th:—Overcast and misty weather. North-north-westerly breezes. High and steady pressure.—Siccawei Observatory.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head-Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

WEDNESDAY, May 14.

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Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
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